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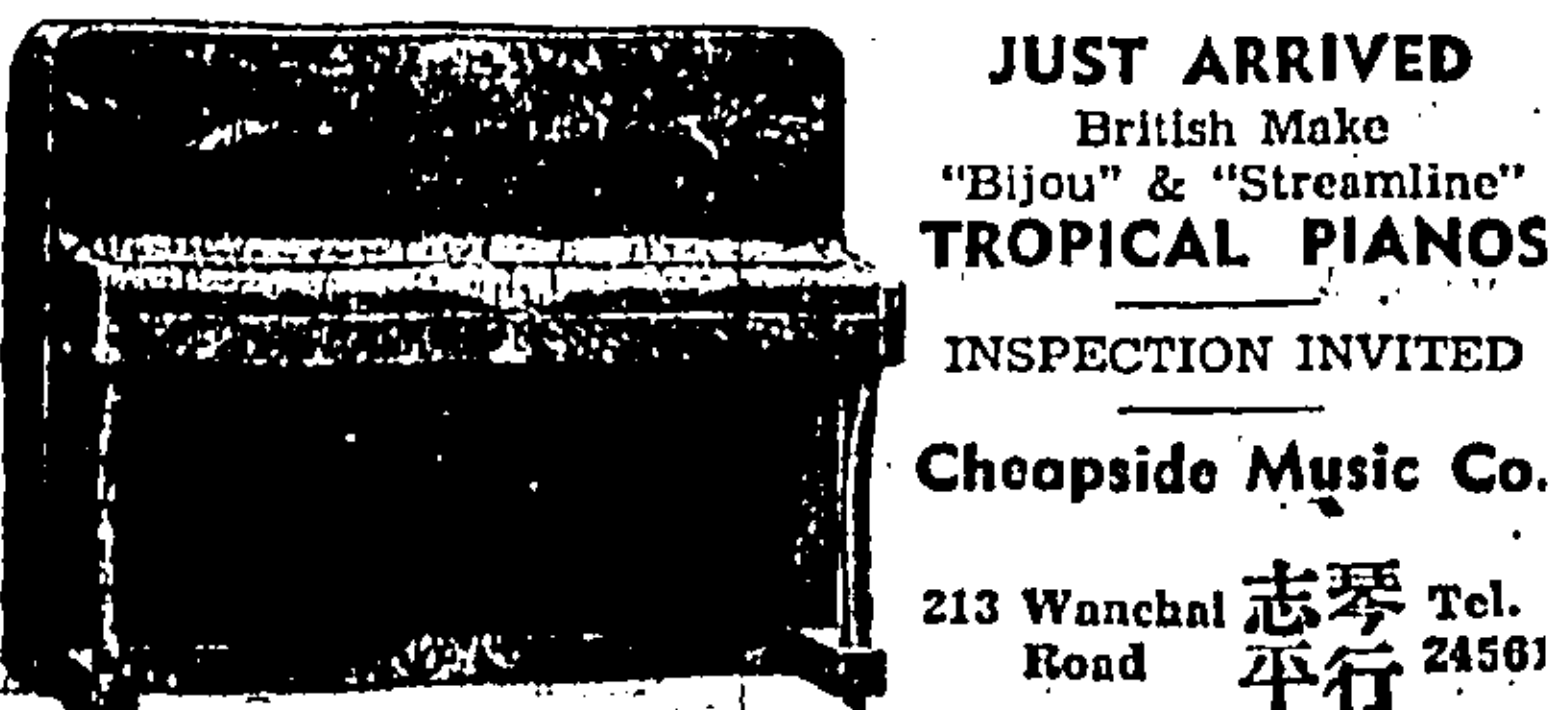
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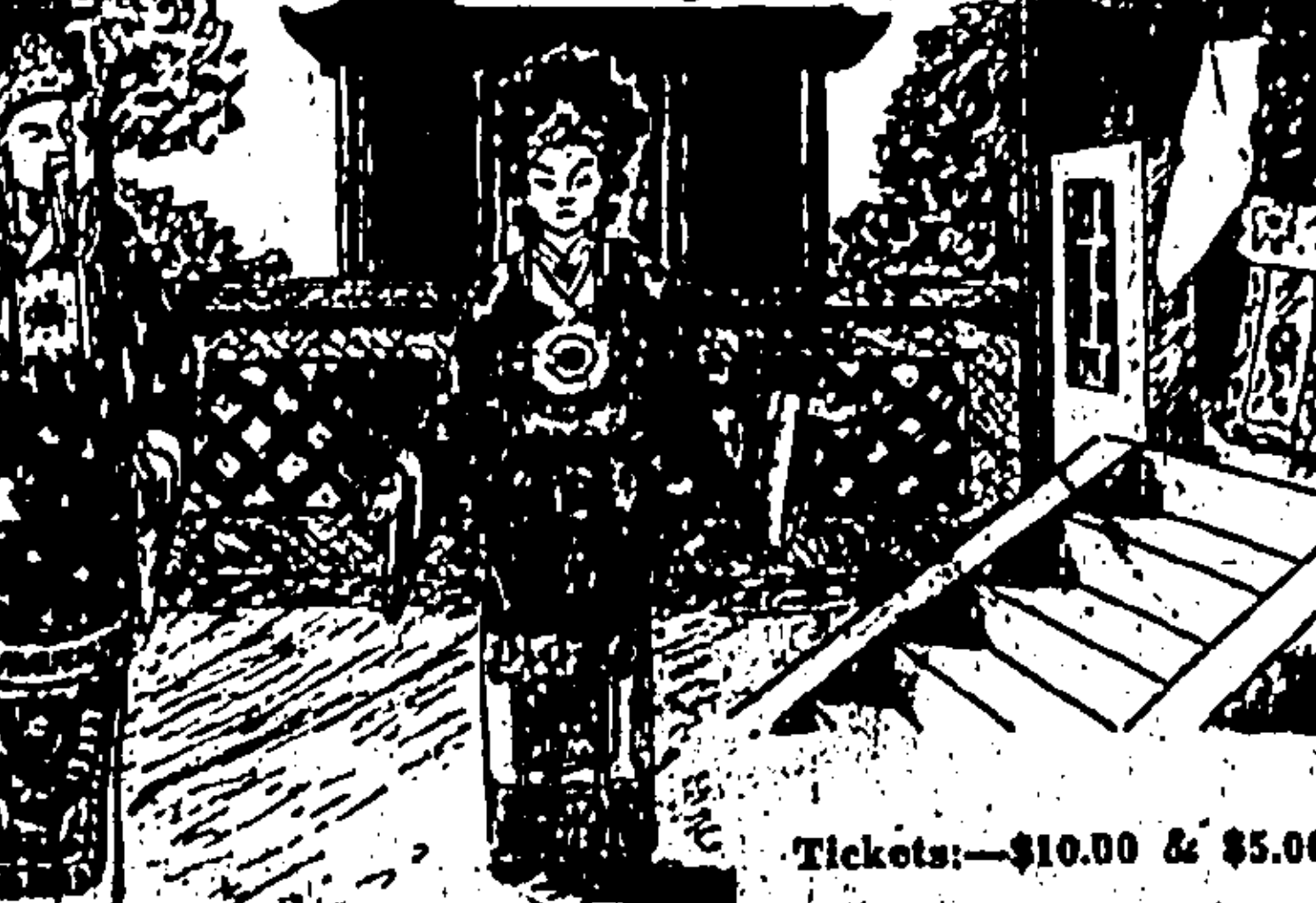
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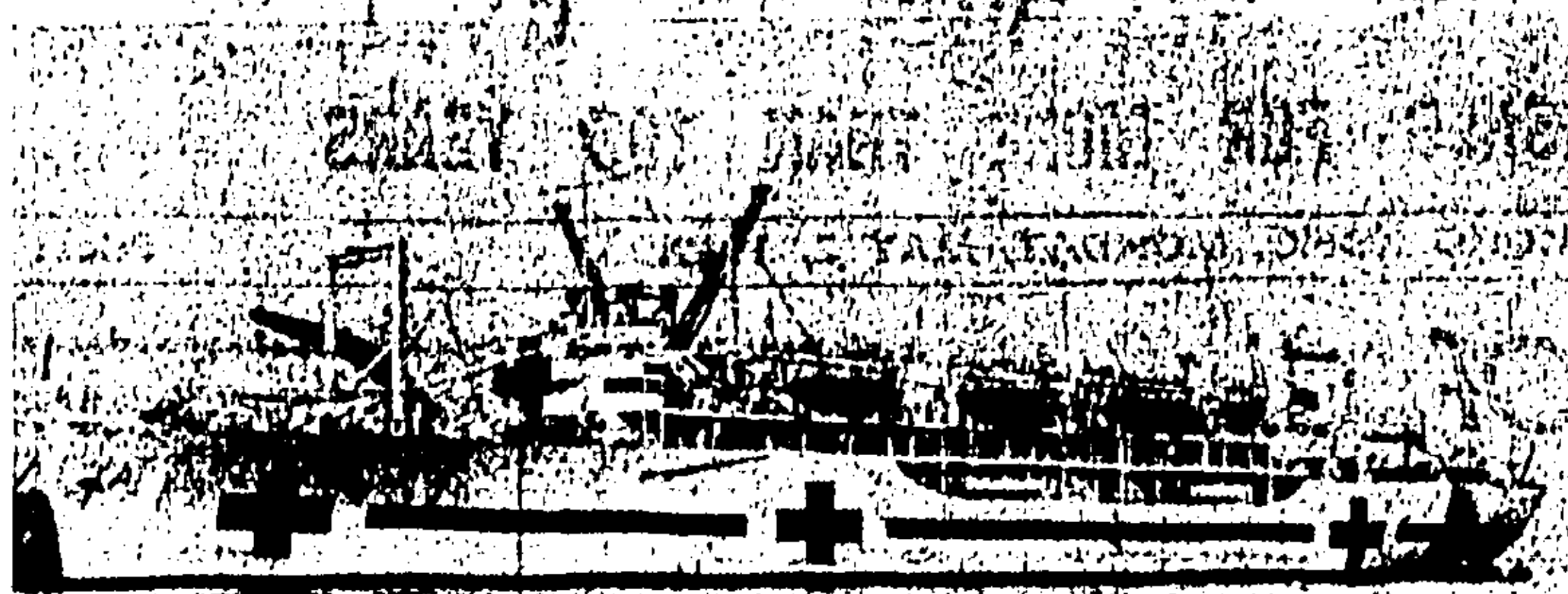
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LOCAL LABOUR GROUPS MARK MAY DAY

Members of various local labour guilds and unions met yesterday to celebrate the Labour Day.

One of the meetings was held at the King Ling Restaurant where a temporary stage was erected for the occasion.

Scores of printers, tramways and telephone workers took part in a mass chorus and sang numerous songs.

Among the songs they sang were Peace and Democracy are coming, March of May Day, Labour Day celebration, Workmen's Song, Unity is Strength, Workmen's Voice, Revenge of the Poor, We Walk in Liberty, You are our light house, Democratic Union, Do Not let Them Harm us, and many others.

Apart from the chorus, workers from the Taikoo Dockyard, Power Company, Naval Dockyard and Brass-smiths' Union staged the “Dance of Harvest,” “Prodigal Son's return,” “Dawn is coming,” and “Bull fight dance.”

The Chinese Clerics' Union and Chinese employees of the Hong Kong Peninsula, Gloucester, Repulse Bay Hotels, Dairy Farm and Lido Hotel also celebrated the Labour Day by holding a cocktail party at the Repulse Bay Hotel at 10 p.m. last night.

Meanwhile the Hong Kong and Kowloon Labour Union have decided that starting from May 1, working hours for labourers will be from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

POPE RECEIVES CHINESE ENVOY

London, April 29.
Pope Pius XII today received in private audience the Chinese Minister to the Holy See, Dr. John Ching-hsiung Wu, the Vatican Radio reported.—Reuter.

RUSSIANS JAM U.S. BROADCASTS

New York, April 29.
Voice of America broadcasts to the Moscow area have been completely obliterated by Soviet radio jamming since the Russians first indicated that they might be willing to lift the Berlin blockade.

Mr. Charles Thayer, chief of the State Department International Broadcasting Division, said that at least 50 Russian transmitters are being used—by far the greatest number ever employed by the Soviet Union against “Voice” broadcasts.

To overcome jamming, Voice of America has begun broadcasting a continuous service in Russian beamed at Moscow and replacing the usual 90-minute transmissions, he said.—Reuter.

HOSPITAL FOR HIMALAYAS

Rome, April 30.
The monks of St. Bernard who, in 1,000 years, have gained a fine reputation for saving travellers from the Alpine snow and cold of the St. Bernard Pass, are planning to set up a hospital in the Himalayas, it was reported in the Vatican City today.

The St. Bernard Hospice has outlived its task since a modern motor road was built across the Pass, it was stated.—Reuter.

Senatorial Fight On U.S. China Policy

Washington, April 30.

Prospects of a Senatorial floor battle over the United States' China policy were increased by two developments. One came in a hint from Democrat Senator Pat McCarran. The other was from the disclosure of a well-known Chinese expert who will testify before two Congressional committees.

Senator McCarran's hint was implied in his failure to deny that certain Democrats and Republicans were forming a coalition to force an investigation of the Administration's China policy and to force the McCarran China aid bill out of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee onto the Senate floor.

Testimony on the current China situation will be given by Major General Claire L. Chennault of the Flying Tigers to the Senate Armed Services Committee and the Congressional joint “watch dog” Committee.

On Thursday, two Republican Senators, Kenneth S. Wherry, Senate minority leader, and Styles Bridges, ranking Republican on the Appropriations Committee, were briefed in the White House on the China situation by President Truman and Mr. Dean Acheson. Afterwards they said they had learned something which they had not known before.

Senator McCarran told the United Press today, “The determination of the Senators who are behind the movement of aid to Nationalist China has not been dampened in the least by the State Department and the President, having called Senators Wherry and Bridges to the White House, pledged them to secrecy and discussed the China question.”

“I cannot speak for the Senators but I can express my own individual doubts that their attitude was changed. Certainly my attitude has not changed and will not.”

“It is such a coalition should be formed, I am perfectly willing to be a member of it.”

He said he believed that Chiang Kai-shek eventually will return to active command of the Nationalist forces and make a stand somewhere in South China. He said he was also confident that Chiang's forces will eventually win.

Senator McCarran said, “What I am interested in is that they should be assisted in winning out because they are fighting a last stand fight for democracy. If the United States, through the State Department's present indefinite, uncertain and inarticulate attitude, were to permit all of China to be taken over by the Communists, then I would like to have the State Department tell me what will become of the Philippines and Japan.”

“It would also be interesting for the Department to tell Americans from where they will get such strategic materials as rubber and tin if China falls and Asia also is taken over by the Communists.”

He added, “The Chinese people should know that despite appearances they have a multitude of friends, including myself, in this country who are working day and night for them. Our principal aim and object is to draw a line for democracy in China and that we may be assured of democracy in America.”—United Press.

China To Fight
Asked if it were true that a Democratic-Republican coalition might be formed, Senator McCarran declined to comment, but

U.S. HOSPITAL SHIP HERE WITH 77 WOUNDED

The United States Navy hospital ship Repose arrived here yesterday from Shanghai, bringing 77 wounded personnel of the four British naval craft which came under Communist artillery fire in the Yangtse a fortnight ago.

Press representatives were refused admission into the Naval Dockyard to board the Repose.

It was learned from the Naval Dockyard Police, however, that out of the 77 wounded, 49 were stretcher cases, while the rest could walk. No further details were available.

Six ambulances were ready there to take the wounded to the Royal Navy Hospital (War Memorial Hospital) from the Naval Dockyard yesterday.

On board the Repose were also 118 American nationals, evacuated from China by George D. Hopper, American Consul here, went aboard to greet the arrivals.

Mr. Hopper said yesterday that 45 evacuees, mostly missionaries, disembarked here. The others are in transit to Manila and Japan.

The landing here would be staying with relatives and friends, Mr. Hopper declared.

The Repose, which passed Lyceum at 10 a.m. yesterday, is due to sail on May 5.

Times Comment On Speech By Smuts, Malan

London, April 30.
The Times today referred to the attitude of General Jan Smuts, the former prime minister of South Africa, to the declaration on India's continued membership of the Commonwealth, as a sad exception.

The paper on the other hand welcomed the broadcast by Dr. Malan himself, an old Republican and strong nationalist, in which he spoke of the special ties which bind the members of the Commonwealth and declared unequivocally that so long as there is no infringement of her rights— even her right to become a republic—South Africa was not in the least of leaving the Commonwealth.

“There is a new and welcome emphasis in his words,” the paper declared.

The Times then discussed the role of Mr. Nehru, the Prime Minister of India, in arriving at the agreement.

In congratulating Mr. Nehru, it would be wrong to ignore the parts played by the governments of Pakistan and Ceylon, who have shown at least the same wisdom and generosity,” the Times added.

FOOD AND FUEL COSTS

Food and fuel costs compiled by the Labour Department for the week ended April 23 follow:
Rice, 2.5 cwt. \$4.700
Wheat, 2.5 cwt. 1.150
Vegetables, 2.5 cwt. 1.125
Suk Cabbage, 2.5 cwt. 1.125
Oil, 2.5 cwt. 1.125
Salt, 2.5 cwt. 1.125
Fish, 2.5 cwt. 1.125
Pork, 2.5 cwt. 1.125
Beans, 2.5 cwt. 1.125
Egg, 12 pieces 1.125
Total \$12.390

The average of the Food and Fuel figures for the week ended March 5 and April 23 is \$12.250.

The Rehabilitation Allowance for the month of May will be \$12.50 a day. Coles \$12.50 a day; Female \$11.75 a day.

Monthly-paid Workers' Allowance \$12.50 a month; Female \$11.75 a month.

MR. LANGE DUE IN LONDON

Oslo, April 30.
The Norwegian Foreign Minister, Mr. Halvard Lange, will reach London on Monday for the conference of Western foreign ministers, which is expected to set up a Council of Europe. It was announced here today that Mr. Lange will be accompanied by Mr. A. A. Amundsen, Minister of Education, and Mr. E. A. Amundsen, Minister of International Trade.

UN Report On Indonesia Situation

Lake Success, April 30.
The United Nations Commission for Indonesia tonight published a report on the military situation there up to April 11 by the on-the-spot United Nations Commission.

The Commission's conclusions were: “Throughout a great part of the former Republic territory, the Dutch control only the main towns and roads. In the areas of West and East Java, which were under Dutch control prior to December, 1948, there are concentrations of Republican forces.”

“Hostilities have continued in Java and Sumatra. While there have been variations in the scale of guerrilla activities in different areas, there has not been any major change in the overall course of such activities during the past two months.”

“In such encounters, modern weapons were used by both sides. In one case, in an attack on Jogjakarta, the Republican forces amounted to approximately 1,500 men.”

“There has been a tendency in some areas towards a fragmentation of guerrilla units. In addition to regular Republican Army units, there are such forces as the Darul Islam, and small armed bands of Communists, extremists and plain bandit groups. Darul Islam is a Moslem organization in West Java which is hostile to both the Dutch and Republican forces.”

Hardships

“The population of Indonesia is being subjected to hardships because:

(1) Civilian casualties are being suffered in the course of hostilities;

(2) In some areas the maintenance of law and order continues to be unsatisfactory, and there is a lack of personal security;

(3) Although economic conditions have improved in some areas, in others there are serious shortages;

(4) In areas not under Dutch control there is an acute shortage of medical supplies and in some cases of medical personnel.

“It appears to the Commission that economic recovery, the restoration of law and order and the cessation of human suffering can only be achieved if there is an overall political settlement.”

The Commission also reported that its observers were in some cases not getting full co-operation from the Dutch military commanders. Some of the population were also reported to be afraid to give information to the United Nations observers because, it was said, they have received threats from the local Dutch authorities.—Reuter.

Peace Talks To Be Held In Lausanne

Lausanne, April 30.
An eight-man Transjordan delegation headed by the Defence Minister, Fauzi Pasha-Mulki, arrived here today for talks with Israeli delegates in preliminary peace problems.

The will meet on Monday with members of the United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission.

The Commission already has consulted here with delegations from Egypt, Syria and the Lebanon. The chief problems confronting the conference are the future of 600,000 Arab refugees and the internationalization of Jerusalem and Israeli's frontiers.

The leader of the Israeli delegation, Walter Yezlin, arrived by plane from Tel Aviv last night, but no formal meetings are scheduled over the week-end.—United Press.

Film Firm's \$1 Shares

International Films Limited of 108 Holland House were granted permission by Mr. Justice Willes yesterday to issue 104,310 one-dollar shares at a discount of 25 cents a share to new subscribers.

The reason given for the issue of the shares at a discount was to repay off an overdraft of HK\$39,540.07 owing to the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and a debt of HK\$39,584.58 owing to the Company's Managing Director, Mr. Harry Odell. Additional capital was raised to enable the Company to pay off the overdraft. Mr. Amundsen, of Oslo, instructed by Mr. Amundsen, of Oslo, to make the application on behalf of International Films Limited.

End Of China Govt In Three Months

A recent arrival from Harbin, Chinese Communist Manchuria political centre, predicted that the Chinese Communists will wipe out the Nationalist government within three months.

Claiming he is neither a Communist nor a Nationalist, he said that he based his prediction on two reasons.

The man who wanted his name to be withheld from publication gave the people's support as his first reason.

He said that during the two decades of Kuomintang and Communist struggle, facts had proved that the latter's strength had grown considerably while the Kuomintang, who had originally enjoyed greater support from the people, have lost much of their strength and fighting morale.

“No one can now deny the fact that at present the Kuomintang feared Communist sympathizers more than actual Communist combat strength.”

Using Harbin as an illustration, he said that two years ago when crack Nationalist armies were preparing to take Harbin from the Reds, the people of Harbin secretly hoped for a quick Nationalist liberation but today Harbin is satisfied with what the Reds have to offer them. What has caused them to change their minds?

Many outsiders might think that the Reds must have a secret way of holding down the people by force but on the contrary their secret weapon is merely to be faithful servants of the people.

Reds And Manpower

His second reason was that since the liberation of Manchuria and North China, Reds are now masters of the World's two richest lands.

Mentioning the Japanese Empire, he said Manchuria and North China had made that nation once a world power but what Japan did not have then and the Communists do have now is manpower.

“While the rest of the world is disregarding manpower,” he pointed out, “the Chinese Communists are making the best use of it.”

He said that two days after he left Harbin he was strolling in the streets of Yientsin and this was made possible because the Communists have repaired and put into efficient operation the much damaged South-Manchuria Railway (built by the Japanese) and the Peking-Mukden Railway.

“This is just an example of how well the Communists can make use of manpower.”

“If the Reds could restore these railways with the people's support, they can certainly overcome any obstruction in wiping out the Kuomintang government,” he concluded.

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BICYCLES TO DELIVER GOODS

Kowloon shop-keepers may soon use converted bicycles to deliver their goods to customers. The Kowloon Police Traffic Office gave the necessary permission to the Kowloon General Chamber of Commerce yesterday to convert ordinary bicycles with rattan baskets may be used for delivery purposes.

ATLANTIC PACT RATIFIED

Ottawa, April 29.
The Canadian Senate has unanimously ratified the North Atlantic Pact, the first North American legislative body to give its formal approval.

The Canadian House of Commons will deal with the Treaty this week.—Reuter.

Reds Willing To Have Diplomatic Relations

Shanghai, May 1.
The Communist government is willing to consider the establishment of diplomatic relations with foreign countries on a basis of equality, mutual benefit and mutual respect for each other's independence and sovereignty, a Communist Radio broadcast said last night.

Quoting a statement by General Li Tao, spokesman for the Communist army in China, the broadcast said to establish relations with foreign countries first of all must not entail the Kuomintang's responsibilities and withdraw their armed forces from China.

Concerning Amethyst incident on the Yangtze, the broadcast charged the British naval vessels interfered with and fired on Red troops crossing the river and Britain should apologise and pay indemnity.

General Li Tao denounced the travel statement of war manager Chiang Kai-shek in the House of Commons in which he reportedly asked the government to send two lateral divisions to the East for retraining in United States.

Reminders

Today

Whist Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.
Crown Land Sale, PWD Office, CSO, 3 p.m.
Talk on “English Painting” by the Rev. Fr. Ryan, PRQ Lecture Room, 5.30 p.m.
Chinese Estates Limited, annual general meeting, China Bldg., 5th fl., 12 noon.
St. Andrew's Church Women's Guild meeting, at Vicarage, 10 a.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
HK Rotary Club luncheon, Talk on “Round the World” by Mr. Bernard Wickstead, 12.30 p.m.
Rot. Garden, HK Hotel, Bridge Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.
Union Church, Management Committee meeting, Jardine's Board Room, 5.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Tue H meeting, Talbot House, 50, MacDonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Bettin's Homes Series, talk on “Hot Weather Grooming” by Mrs. S. Norman, YWCA, Duddell Street, 3 p.m.
Swimming Gala and Dance, European YMCA, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY

Y's Men's Club luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club, luncheon at Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

FRIDAY

Women's Seclion Club Morning, European YMCA, 10 a.m.
Sino British Club Music Group Concert, St. Stephen's Girls' College, 8.30 p.m.

Share Your Thrill

In your travels round the globe, some time, somewhere in port or at sea, you may have met strange people and were probably amazed at their manners and customs. Hong Kong itself may have provided you with some unusual experiences during your visit. Why not share your “thrill” with us and at the same time win \$25?

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SUTCLIFFE PROVES PRAISEWORTHY

Bradford, April 30.

Bart Sutcliffe, the young New Zealand left-hander, showed a 15,000 crowd at Bradford today that he is worthy of the many eulogies which preceded his visit to England.

In a delightful innings played with the skill and temperament of a great player, he laid the foundation of his side's good score against Yorkshire. The tourists had put on 370 for 7 declared and Yorkshire replied with eight runs for no wicket when stumps were drawn.

V. J. Scott, a six feet two inches right-hander, who plays scarcely any backlift, but punches the loose ball hard, helped Sutcliffe in an opening stand of 117.

Hadlee, Wallace and Donnelly consolidated the successful start. No bowler took more advantage of the help given by a green pitch than Aspinall, who obtained five of the first six wickets for 62 runs to finish with an analysis of five for 60. He managed to get life and some lift from the turf, but was not consistent in either length or direction.

Yorkshire Ragged

Otherwise, the Yorkshire attack looked ragged. The tourists must feel very satisfied with their start to the tour. They played the game in the best possible spirit and proved most refreshing to watch.

Both Hadlee and Wallace were cautious against the offbreaks of

Robinson and Coxon's fast medium seam bowling on a pitch which looked livelier than before lunch.

Aspinall took his third wicket when at 230 Hadlee mistimed a hook and skied a catch to long leg after the stand had reached 119.

Third Catch

Wallace gave Wardle his third catch of the day off a ball from Coxon after scoring 62 and then Aspinall claimed two more wickets, having Rabone caught by Coxon and bowling Mooney.

Donnelly was joined by Burtt and saw the play out until tea.

Donnelly bled in his best form until he missed a leg break from Robinson. Hadlee seized the opportunity to declare when Burtt had settled down after an uncomfortable start. He became the first visiting captain to declare on the opening day of the English tour.

Yorkshire were given 20 minutes to bat and in that time Hutton and Halliday made eight runs.

The scoreboard read:

New Zealand: 1st Innings	72
Sutcliffe b Aspinall	41
Scott c Wardle b Aspinall	41
Hadlee c Wilson b Aspinall	41
Wallace c Wardle b Coxon	62
Donnelly b Robinson	60
Rabone c Coxon b Aspinall	60
Mooney b Aspinall	28
Burtt not out	28
Cave not out	10
Extras	10
Total (for 7 declared)	370

Bowling	O	M	R	W
Aspinall	27	3	80	5
Coxon	27	2	86	1
Yardley	6	0	21	1
Robinson	32	8	78	1
Wardle	20	3	71	1
Halliday	4	0	18	1

—Reuter.

Bailey Takes First Wicket

London, April 30.

Trevor Bailey, the Essex fast bowler, took a wicket with the first ball bowled in the 1940 first class cricket season. He dismissed Nigel Howard, Lancashire's new captain, who, opening the MCC innings against Essex, gave a catch to T. H. Wade, the wicketkeeper. This was the first meeting of the two clubs since 1897.

Jack Robertson and Bill Edrich, of Middlesex, opened their account for the MCC with a century partnership, Robertson scoring 95 and Edrich 57. A. E. Nuttall contributed an unbeaten 76, enabling the MCC to declare.

The close of play scores in first class games were:

At Tunbridge Wells: Somerset 204 (Glimblett 88, Hever 6 for 34); Glamorgan 27 for no wicket. (Friendly game).

At Hove: Friendly two-day match. Sussex 267 and 124 for 3 declared drew with Hampshire 227 for 7 declared (Rogers 115, Bailey 60 not out and 61 for one).

At Lords: MCC 378 for 8 declared (Robertson 95, Edrich 57, Nuttall 76 not out); Essex 27 for two. (Van Ryneveld 78, Curry 131); Gloucestershire no runs for no wicket.—Reuter.

Wins Amateur Golf Title

Farnby, April 30.

Ronnie White, of Liverpool, who 24 hours earlier had learned that he had passed his final law examination, today won the English amateur golf championship, beating Charles Stowe by five and four in the 36 holes final.

Both men are English Walker Cup players.

The hard fought first 18 holes had finished even. Stowe was down in golf history as the first amateur to win the title in two years and his first National title again eluded him.—Reuter.

RECORD EXPORT OF BICYCLES

Coventry, April 30.

British firms exported a record total of bicycles and motor-cycles, during the first quarter of 1940, the British Cycle and Motor-cycle Manufacturers and Traders Union announced today.

The total value of machines and components exported during the quarter was £7,941,450 against £5,097,397 in the same period of last year.

Canada bought 11,870 bicycles and 628 motor-cycles.—Reuter.

NEW PLASTICS

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Just Married



—“China Mail” Photo.

MISS MAY MUI MARRIES YOUNG

The wedding of Miss May Mui Kwok-mei and Mr. Matthew Young Tze-man took place at St. Teresa's Church yesterday.

Services were conducted by Father Orlando. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. Mui Tze-ping.

A reception held after the ceremony at the Kwong Chau Restaurant, was attended by a large gathering of friends and relatives.

The couple will spend their honeymoon at the Repulse Bay Hotel.

CRIPPS' VISIT TO ITALY

Rome, April 29.

Sir Stafford Cripps, British Chancellor of the Exchequer, arrived in Rome this afternoon.

Sir Stafford Cripps is visiting Rome to meet members of the Italian Government. During his stay he will be received by the Pope.—Reuter.

SPORTS GOSSIP

The International Hockey Series enters the semi-final stage this week with Portugal facing Ireland in one bracket and India with Holland in the other.

The Portuguese team, the most impressive on the field in the Series, is favoured against Ireland, and it should be a good game, judging from the Irishmen's display in their victory over Malaya.

Holland, more so with two of their regular players now away in Java, one of whom being their goalie, Visser.

The final should see India and Portugal taking the field, with odds on the Portuguese to win.

Sports headlines last week called aloud the name of Spikes Gutierrez telling everyone that he had won batting honours in the major softball league.

Gutierrez is one of the youngest and most promising all round sportsman. He was the opening bowler for Recreio's junior cricketers and is also a strength at bat. In 1947 he won the VRC junior swim championships and was a leading dasher. Hockey came forward. He is playing that position for Portugal in the International Series.

Vic Matluk, one-time Shanghai basketball pride, is now residing in the Colony and is expected to compete locally this year. Matluk was in Hong Kong last year but did not take part in the Championship as then he had no residential qualification.

The Hong Kong Chinese Swim Federation has big plans for the summer season. They are preparing an all-Chinese swim squad with an all-Chinese swim squad of the Philippines, but negotiations, as to date and place, have yet to be concluded.

The Federation is also considering lining up a Hong Kong Chinese swim team against the rest of the Colony. This may be a pointer of their intention to take part in the Far Eastern Olympic Games soon to be revived.

From the Victoria Recreation Club comes news that plans are under way to work in collaboration with the Education Department in organizing an interschool swim meet that will stand as a record.

Although the annual interschool track and field meet has been held for many years, it has never been held with the same enthusiasm and interest as the swim meet. The Education Department has been working hard to revive the school track and field meet.

This idea of encouraging school boys in swim sports is not only desirable but also very necessary, if swimming means anything at all to the Colony.

Talking about school boys. There is a training class in the VRC now which attends to all the youngsters with swim talents, ideas or merely keenness.

Taking the kids in hand are two of the Colony's champions, Tony Lopes, backstroke champion, and Sonny Monteiro, stylish freestyler.

The programme includes regular land drills, breathing, coordination exercises beside workouts in the pool.

A question put to us some time is why can't we gossip about the girls. The answer of course, is just that there is little to gossip about them that will be suitable in this column.

Before the war, Hong Kong had two ladies' hockey leagues, the Caer-Clark Cup and the Brown Cup, each with some eight teams. There was also the seven-a-side tournaments.

When sports writers wanted to talk about ladies and swimming, they had Jackie Anderson, Celeste Gutierrez, Vivienne Churn and dozens others to fill their columns.

Hockey stories named the Mc-Cows, Misses, Mrs. Buchanan, Bertha, Hall, Beatrice Graves and so on.

On the track there were Beatrice Greaves (hockey interpreter), June Hall, Yvonne Velle, a hockey player, Miss Lopes (swim champ) etc; badminton, tennis all had their numerous feminine touches.

Today, except for a few softballers, the girls don't seem too eager to take to the field for anything more strenuous than just watching.

Sporting Authorities running the various school sports, might do very well to revive sporting interest among the Colony's women, by including events for them.

The Hockey Association, in planning their coming season programme, might look into the question of reviving hockey among the women. The forthcoming opening athletic championships, it is hoped, will have events for women. And women themselves who seem always to have their own sports, do sometimes about it too.

Then perhaps we shall soon have much to gossip about them in this column. Or will not.

SURPRISE HELP FOR DUROCHER

New York, April 30.

Leo Durocher got surprise help in his fight to have his baseball suspension lifted tonight when a longtime Giants fan came forward to say that he, and not Leo, accidentally kicked Fred Boyesen at the Polo Grounds on Thursday.

The fan, 33-year-old George Cronk, said Durocher did not punch or kick Boyesen—a charge which caused the Giants manager to be suspended by Baseball Commissioner A. B. Chandler.

Cronk said he was walking across the grass near centre field at the Polo Grounds on Thursday on his way to the exit after the Giants lost to Dodgers, 15-2.

Durocher and other Giants players were walking in front of him.

"Then I saw this fan, who I now recognize as Boyesen, lunge at Durocher," Cronk said. "Apparently he touched Leo because Durocher turned around and bumped him with his elbow. Boyesen lost his balance and fell down."

"I was right behind Boyesen and couldn't help tripping over him because everybody was pushing toward the exit. In tripping I kicked him, I think in the leg."

Cronk said he had signed a statement on behalf of Durocher, one of 100 which the Giants president Horace Stoneham is gathering to take with him to the hearing in Cincinnati. He said he is willing to appear and testify.

Earlier, Stoneham had expressed confidence that Chandler would exonerate Durocher of charges that he kicked and beat a fan. He said the Giants were backing Durocher 100 per cent because Leo is in the right.

Stoneham said more than 100 statements had been received from fans who claimed to have witnessed the incident, and most of them agreed with Durocher's version.—United Press.

JAPAN MAY BE RE-ADMITTED

Rome, April 30.

Japanese and German hopes for admission to the 1952 Olympic competition on Saturday (Rome) brighter, and efforts were under way to lighten the programme of the next summer at Helsinki, Finland.

Otto Meyer, chairman of the International Olympic Committee, announced Friday that the IOC had decided to recommend that international sports federations, with which it deals, again accept Japanese sports federations as members.

He said the same recommendation will be made for western Germany when that is formed as a state. Meyer was unable to say anything definite regarding eastern Germany.

The IOC had approved a report of the organizing committee for Helsinki recommending that no new games be added to the 1952 summer programme.—Associated Press.

FIGHTING IN IND-CHINA

Paris, April 29.

Several waves of French Junkers and Dakotas flew over Hanoi, French Indo-China, today towards the North Viet Minh Nationalist forces, the French News Agency reported.—Reuter.

RUN OVER IN HIS BED

Liverpool, April 29.

A 60-year-old grandfather, John Hall, of 11, in this British Zone town and ran over a man asleep in bed.

Comment On U.S. Naval Withdrawal

Shanghai, May 1.

An editorial in the American-owned Shanghai Evening Post, edited by Randall Gould, entitled "The Navy—Under Fire Anyway," today said in part: "When the U.S. Navy left us abruptly without so much as a hint of farewell on Tuesday it was presumably applying an extremely liberal interpretation of order that it was not to come under fire."

"But evidently it blundered into the equivalent of the Amethyst incident with hard words taking the place of hot shot."

"Evidently the Navy thought that things were pretty bad last Tuesday. But it seems that communications between Shanghai and back home are still open despite the perils. No less an individual than President Truman has been called in to put up a covering bludgeon for the Admiral. He said 'the Navy has not deserted the citizens in Shanghai as some reports tend to imply.' We hate to differ with Mr. Truman but he seems to be a little inaccurate on his facts."

"We doubt that the reports imply anything—we suspect that they told the unvarnished truth, that from Shanghai's standpoint there was no Navy any longer to be seen. Further misinformation was given out by the President when he noted that the President Wilson left Shanghai with vacillations."

"We checked the American President's List and find that the President Wilson left with 105 passengers more than the full complement. What's more, the President, Van Buren and Pierce, will leave with full complement. The General's Guard will sail with 1,000, dropping 800 in the way of troops to pick up waiting evacuees who left from Shanghai, and proceeding to San Francisco with a full complement."

"Someone should tell Mr. Truman these things. The Navy Department in Washington now declares that three landing craft with a capacity of 1,800 persons were 'waiting at Shanghai.' They just are not waiting in Shanghai by any information we have unless they have come back after going away."

"The British do these things better. The notice issued by the Policy Committee of British emergency planners is admirable. Prompt, complete, frank and reassuring. It tells us that they are not waiting in Shanghai by any information we have unless they have come back after going away."

Melbourne Happy

Melbourne, April 29.

Flags flew today, and Sir Harold G. Smith, the acting Lord Mayor, lit a torch in celebration of the award of the 1956 Olympic Games to the city.

The general opinion was that the Games would be the biggest event in the city's history, and it was unofficially estimated that they would bring 100,000 visitors, spending £4,000,000.

The final plans for the Games provide for the erection of an Olympic Stadium seating 70,000; a swimming pool to hold from 10,000 to 12,000 spectators, and facilities for housing 4,000 athletes at Melbourne show grounds, three and a half miles from the city.—Reuter.

Cricket Match Ends in A Draw

Cincinnati, April 28.

The two-day match between Glamorgan and Gloucestershire, and in All-England County Championship, ended in a draw. Glamorgan having scored 276 for 7 wickets in reply to Gloucestershire's first innings total of 209 for 6 declared.

A sparkling innings by W. E. Jones was the highlight of the day. He drove and pulled with such power that his 114, scored out of 189 in two and a quarter hours, contained four sixes and 14 fours.

Alan Watkins also jumped right into form and his 107 wicket stand with Jones realised 107 for 40 minutes. Watkins, who scored 53, revealed a wide variety of strokes, demonstrating that he has improved considerably as the result of the South Africa tour, and hit on four.

MAGLIAN IN BELGRADE

Belgrade, April 28.

Dr. Maglian, Minister of Education, arrived in Belgrade today as a guest of the British Ambassador, Sir Charles Emsley.—Reuter.

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Headquarters on Monday, the
2nd day of May, 1949 at 3
p.m.

The area which comprises
9,000 square feet is situated at
Repulse Bay Road, and is suit-
able for residential purposes.

Further particulars are
available from the Government
Gazette of 22nd April, 1949,
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ANDREW NICOL,
Acting
Director of Public Works.

April 14, 1949.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF SHARE-
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Room No. 308, Queen's Build-
ing, Hong Kong, on Thursday,
the 19th May, 1949, at noon for
the following purposes:—

1. To receive and consider
the Statement of Ac-
counts and Balance Sheet
and the Report of the
Directors and Auditors
thereon.
2. To declare a dividend.
3. To elect Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors and
fix their remuneration.
5. To transact any other
ordinary business of the
Company.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY
GIVEN that the TRANSFER
BOOKS of the COMPANY will
be closed from the 10th May,
1949 to the 19th May, 1949,
both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
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R. G. CRAIG,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, April 29, 1949.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
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holders of the Company will be
held at the Company's Office,
Windsor House, Mezzanine
Floor, Hongkong, on Thursday,
5th May, 1949 at 11 a.m. for
the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors to-
gether with Statement of Ac-
counts for the year ended
31st December, 1948, to sanc-
tion the declaration of a
Dividend and to re-elect
Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
Thursday, 21st April to Thurs-
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New Shutter Beats Speed Of Light

New York, May 1.

A new camera shutter that
beats the speed of light has
been shown to the Society of
Motion Picture Engineers.

The shutter is small enough
to fit into a pocket-size camera. Point this
camera directly at the sun, push
a button that snaps the shutter,
and you get no picture.

Only a few feet of light gets
through, even though the sun-
light is travelling 100,000 miles
a second, the amount of light
reaching the film is not enough
to expose it, for even bright
sunlight has to have a small
fraction of time to pile up on
a film.

In the laboratory this shutter
can operate faster than a flash
of light travelling from the
camera to a mirror 10 feet away
and back. No light gets back be-
fore the shutter closes. Mirrors
a few inches apart, one farther
than the other from the camera,
can be picked up one at a time
by timing the return flash.

The shutter is still partly a
wartime secret. It was shown by
Dr. A.M. Zarem, Director of the
Stanford Research Foundation,
Los Angeles.

The shutter is a combination of
a liquid, a battery cell in the
liquid, known as a Kerr cell,
and polarizing lenses. The
polarizing lenses do the opening
and closing, but strangely
enough do this while standing
perfectly still.

They are set in the position
known to most persons who use
polaroid glasses, where one in
front of the other shuts off com-
pletely the passage of light.

When the button is pressed an
electrical impulse flows through
the shutter cell. This impulse
does the same thing as rotating
the polaroid so that light gets
through. But only the molecules
in the polaroid lenses move. They
twist a bit and that lets the light
through. They can twist and re-
turn to position in practically
nothing flat.

The length of the electrical im-
pulse is the time the shutter is
open. Dr. Zarem said that an
impulse can be as short as a
hundred millionth of a second, or
still less. Useful pictures have
been taken at from one millionth
of a second up to 20 times faster.

The uses so far are to see
electrical discharges in action.
These move faster than most ex-
plosions. One photo shown was
an atomic barber pole. It is a

filament of tungsten wire, thinner
than human hair, exploding
when an electric current is shot
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plosion form rings around the
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POST OFFICE MAIL NOTICE

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It is hereby notified that commencing
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ther notice, the outward mail to the
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Commencing from Tuesday, May 3, 1949
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CPO Kowloon: (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30
p.m.

Sundays: CPO Hong Kong (Reg.) 5 p.m.,
(Saturday), (Ord.) 10 a.m., (Sunday).
CPO Kowloon: (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Saturday),
(Ord.) 10 a.m., (Sunday).

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close before 10 a.m., Registered and
Parcel Posts close at 5 p.m. on the pre-
vious day.

Mails are closed at Kowloon Central
Post Office half an hour earlier than the
GPO closing time.

MONDAY, MAY 3
Closing Times by Air

Canton and Hankow, (Kowloon CPO) 7.30
a.m., 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2.30 p.m.;
(GPO) 7 a.m., 9.30 a.m., Noon, 2 p.m.,
Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) 11 a.m.,
(Ord.) 11.40 a.m.

Airmail for Shanghai, (Ord.) 8 a.m.,
8.10 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.)
8.10 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.

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mail for Kunming and Luichow: Air-
mail for Swatow, Amoy and Taipei,
(Reg.) 9 p.m., (Ord.) 9.30 p.m.

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USA, Canada, Central and South America
via San Francisco (No Parcels for
Canada), (Par. Reg.) 2.30 p.m.,
(Ord.) 3 p.m.

Manila, 3 p.m.

Swatow, 3 p.m.

Shanghai and Japan, 3 p.m.

Formosa via Tientsin

TUESDAY, MAY 3
Closing Times by Air

Airmail for Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi
(Bara, Madras, Bombay, Dacca,
Suez, Mauritius, Johannesburg and
Cairo via Karachi), Alexandria, Rome
and London, Kowloon CPO: (Reg.)
4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.; GPO: (Reg.)
4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Singapore, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m.,
(Ord.) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Manila, Honolulu, USA and
Canada, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5
p.m.

Air Parcel Post for Manila, Honolulu and
USA, (Kowloon CPO) 4.30 p.m.,
(GPO) 5 p.m.

Major Events Seen To Be Inter-Related

London, April 30.

Three major events of the past
week, though their coincidence
may be accidental, are seen by
diplomatic observers here as
parts of a pattern of world events
which are closely inter-related.

The events were: India's de-
cision to remain a full member
of the Commonwealth, the So-
viet-American talks on the lift-
ing of the Berlin blockade and a
resumption of the Council of
Foreign Ministers, and the
Frankfurt agreement of the poli-
tical leaders of Western Ger-
many on the basic law for a West
German State.

Within the pattern of these
events, there is good reason to
believe that a broad decision to
exploit to the full the present
advantages in the Far East has
decided the Soviet Union to pur-
sue a policy of accom-
modation in the West.

Diplomatic observers here,
speculating on why Moscow has
decided to press now for a new
four-power approach to the
German problem, show little dis-
position to believe in a fun-
damental change in the long-
term aims of Russian policy.

Those best placed to assess the
Soviet policy believe that Rus-
sia's desire to engage in new
talks is the result of a major re-
view of the Soviet foreign policy
which has been in progress for
some time past in Moscow—a
review which took into account
developments in Europe and in
the Far East.

In this sense, observers here
believe that both the progress
towards a West German State
announced from Frankfurt, and
the historic refusal of India to
divorce herself from the Com-
monwealth association, have a
direct bearing upon any four-
power talks which may emerge
from the Malik-Jessup exchange
at Lake Success.—Reuter.

Sydney, April 29.
Twenty-five cows were killed
when an electric cable fell on a
wire fence on a New South Wales
farm. One cow, standing against
the fence, was killed immedi-
ately and the others stampeded
into the charged fence, receiving fatal
shocks.—Reuter.

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Reds Demand Withdrawal Of Foreign Armed Forces

San Francisco, May 1.

The Chinese Communists yesterday demanded that Britain, the United States and France quickly withdraw their armed forces, warships and military aircraft from China.

At the same time they promised to "protect all foreign nationals in China who engage in normal vocations."

They expressed willingness to consider the establishment of diplomatic relations with foreign countries. But first, the foreign governments would have to sever relations with the Nationalist government.

The statements were made by General Li Tiao, spokesman for the headquarters of the People's Liberation Army. They were carried in a Peking radio broadcast heard in San Francisco by the Associated Press.

Much of General Li's statement was devoted to condemning Winston Churchill for urging Britain to send more warships to Chinese waters, and disputing statements of the British Ambassador Mr. Clement Attlee, concerning the shelling of British ships in the Yangtze River.

General Li reiterated that in the exchange of fire British warships caused 252 casualties among Communist troops. He continued:

"As the British have entered Chinese territory and committed such big criminal act, the People's Liberation Army of China is justified in demanding that the British government admit its mistake, apologize and pay indemnity."

After contradicting some statements of Mr. Attlee, Li said:

"The People's Liberation Army does not hope for any association from the armed forces of any foreign country, an entering the river or doing any other thing."

"To the contrary, the People's Liberation Army demands that Great Britain, the United States of America and France withdraw quickly their armed forces, warships, military aircraft and marines, in the Yangtze River, Whangpoo River and other places

in China, from the waters, seas, land and air of China and not aid the Chinese people's enemy in waging civil war.

Willing To Protect

"Up till now the Chinese People's Revolutionary Military Committee and the People's Government have not established any diplomatic relations with any foreign government. The Chinese People's Revolutionary Military Committee and the People's Government are willing to protect all foreign nationals in China who engage in normal vocations."

"The Chinese People's Revolutionary Military Committee and the People's Government are willing to consider the establishment of diplomatic relations with foreign countries. These relations should be established on the basis of equality, mutual belief, and mutual respect for each other's independence and integrity of territorial sovereignty and, first of all, foreign countries must not aid Kuomintang reactionaries."

"The Chinese People's Revolutionary Military Committee and the People's Government will not accept any action of an intimidating nature from any foreign government. If foreign governments are willing to consider the establishment of diplomatic relations with us, they must sever their relations with the Kuomintang reactionaries, and withdraw their armed forces from China."

"Mr. Attlee complained that because the Communist Party of China did not establish diplomatic relations with foreign countries in the past, it is not willing to have relations with any diplomatic personnel of foreign governments (Consuls recognized by the Kuomintang)."

"This complaint is groundless. During the past years, the governments of the United States of America, Great Britain and Canada have been helping the Kuomintang against us. Has Mr. Attlee forgotten this? Which country presented the heavy cruiser Chungking, which was sunk recently?"

Britain gave the cruiser to the Nationalists. Nationalist planes later sank her when she deserted to the Communists.—Associated Press.

Atom Planes Arrive In England

Lakenheath, England, April 30. The first Superfortresses of the atom-bombing 80th group of the United States Air Force arrived here today. Six B-29's landed here and several others set down near Marham. The rest of the group is expected tomorrow.

All Europe will be within range of the Superfortresses when they are in England. They arrived under a rotational training system designed to give Air Force crews practice in operations in all theatres of the world.

The group will be maintained at 90 per cent operational strength while in England, meaning that nine of 10 planes in each of its three squadrons will be ready to take to the air any time.—United Press.

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1.15 p.m. Rhythm Accompaniment.
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1.45 p.m. "Don Juan and His Gypsy Girls" Orchestra.
1.55 p.m. George Gershwin: Concerto in F Major for Piano and Orchestra.
2.00 p.m. Close Down.
2.05 p.m. Programme Summary.
2.15 p.m. "It's Swing Time."
2.30 p.m. "Orchestral Favourites."
2.45 p.m. "Boatful of Goodies" Half Hour Presented by Joan Austin, (Studio).
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3.05 p.m. World News and News Analysis (London Relay).
3.15 p.m. "A Ship Sail" A Talk by Oscar B. Provis. (Studio).
3.30 p.m. Multivocal and His Orchestra.
3.45 p.m. "I Like What I Like" Presented by Faye Nicol. (Studio).
3.55 p.m. "From the Editorials" (London Relay).
4.00 p.m. "Concerto" List: Concerto No. 2 in A Major for Piano and Orchestra, Malczynski and the Philharmonic Orchestra.
4.15 p.m. "London Playhouse" "Death Takes a Holiday" with James Mason.
4.30 p.m. Leo Marjane and Joan Carroll. (Radio City).
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German Gang Had Pure Uranium

Frankfurt, April 29.

Officials of the American Criminal Investigation Division expect shortly to arrest other members of a German gang who were found in possession of 2,300 grammes of near-pure uranium.

The Division is unable to release the names of those already arrested for fear of jeopardising the final investigations, which are expected to take about two weeks to complete.

It is disclosed, however, that the seized uranium, which was in the shape of a small bar two inches square, had been tested at a Frankfurt laboratory and was found to be "nearly 99 per cent pure."

The agents refused to comment on a report in today's United States Army newspaper, "Stars and Stripes," alleging that one of the nine men already arrested is a German scientist who had worked on atomic research during the war.

The small block of uranium, they said, was found in a suitcase carried by an unidentified member of the gang when he was arrested in Darmstadt. All nine of the alleged gang members were arraigned before a Frankfurt Military Government court on April 23, charged with the possession, use and attempted sale of war materials.

They were held in bail of 50,000 Deutsche marks (about £6,000) each.

One of the defendants produced bail, but was kept in custody at the special request of military government officials for security reasons.

The Assistant American prosecutor at Frankfurt thinks the men will be brought to trial in about three weeks, or as soon after as the Criminal Investigation Division has finished its job on the case.

Four of the men arrested after allegedly trying to sell the uranium for 10 million marks (about £750,000), are described as from Oppenheim, in the French Zone, three from Darmstadt and two from Garmisch-Partenkirchen.—Reuter.

Iran's Premier Gets Vote Of Confidence

Teheran, April 30.

Parliament today gave the Premier, Mohammed Soud, an overwhelming vote of confidence despite opposition charges that his policies were leading toward military dictatorship.

At the end of three weeks of debate on the government's domestic policies, 80 deputies voted confidence, three opposed and three abstained.

Dr. Maghfar Baghat, lecturer at Tercoran University and chief opposition spokesman, alleged that Marshal Ali Razmar, chief of the General Staff, was planning to set up a military dictatorship. He also accused the government of suppressing press and other freedoms.

He said, "I know that my opponents will try to incriminate me and force me through drug injections such as were carried out in Russia to confess to crimes that I never thought of."—United Press.

New York, April 30. "Fairly severe" earthquake shocks, estimated to have taken place somewhere in the South Pacific, were recorded on the Fordham University seismograph here last night.—Reuter.

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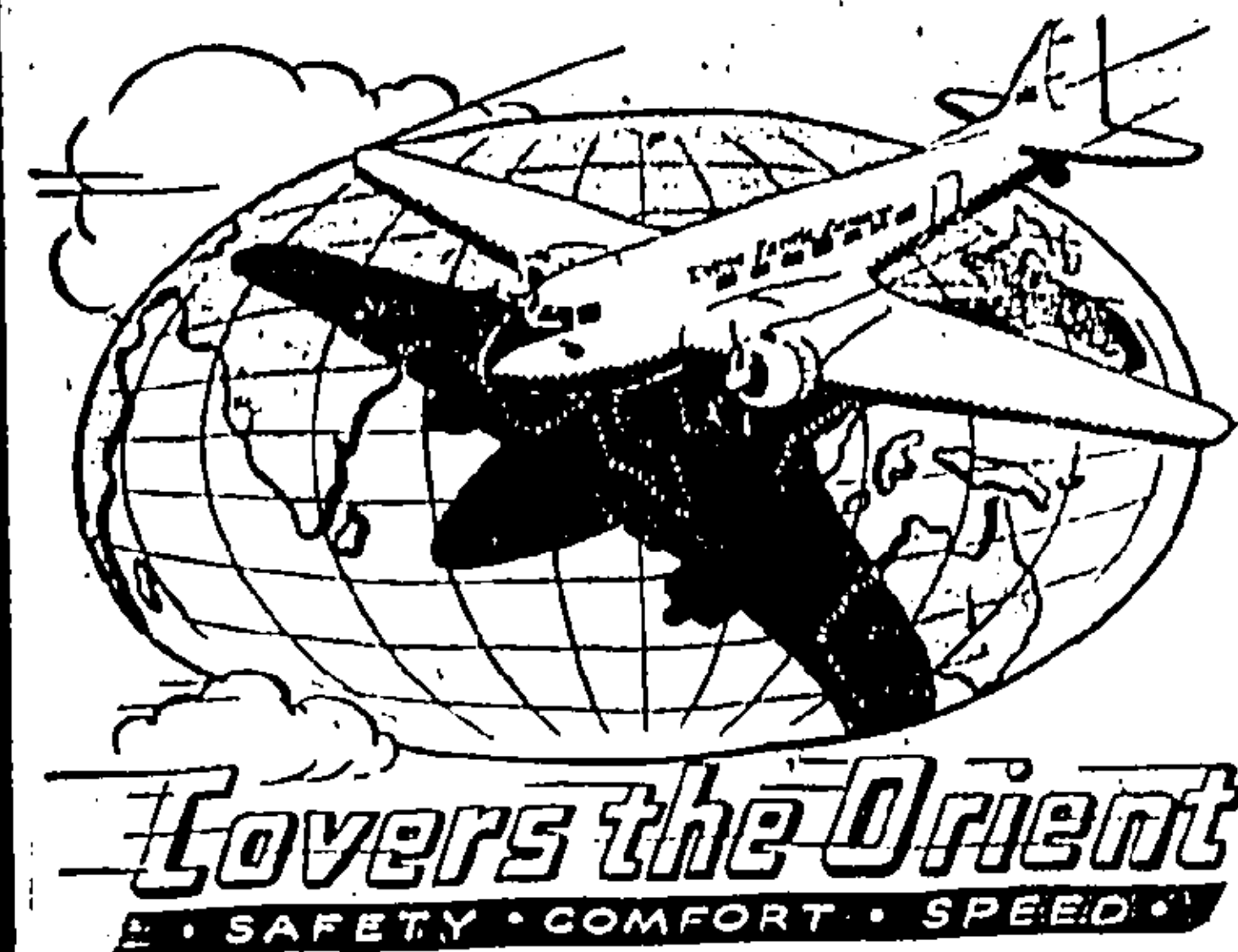
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DEATH

MRS. CLARA MARIA BROWN
died 1st May at the age of
87 years at the residence of
her daughter Mrs. M. J. Hull,
Kowloon. Funeral will pass
the monument at 5.30 today.

BIRTH

SNATH—At the Queen Mary
Hospital to June, wife of
A. L. Snath, a daughter,
Valerie Jane, on May 1.

RUSSIA'S MOVE

Once again the Soviet
Government has taken it
upon itself to publish private
exchanges between its offi-
cials and Western repre-
sentatives. It announces
through its official news
agency that it is willing to
raise the blockade of Berlin
as soon as a meeting of the
four-power Council of For-
eign Ministers has been ar-
ranged to discuss all the Ger-
man problems; the Western
counter-blockade of the
Soviet Zone would be lifted
at the same time. What is
clear, even at this stage, is
that the Russian Government
has withdrawn the chief
obstacle only if the four
powers can agree upon the
currency arrangement for
Berlin. The Western powers
tried that arrangement last
summer. It led them no-
where. Meanwhile the
Western powers have great-
ly consolidated themselves,
and here perhaps may be
seen the chief reason for
Moscow's tentative sugges-
tion for new talks. If there
are to be talks, the Western
powers can enter them with
strong cards in their hands.
That should give them con-
fidence, but it also presents
a warning. Their prime con-
cern must be to ensure that
they do not throw away
their cards through fruitless
talks and false hopes. While
so much remains uncertain
they must stoutly resist any
renewed Russian demand
that the progress of govern-
ment which is being made in
the Western areas should be
held up as a condition for
holding the four-power talks.
The West has always said
that nothing done in West-
ern Germany would preclude
or prejudice any wider ar-
rangements for German
unity, but that is to look into
the conjectural future, and
in the meantime Western
Germany would suffer disas-
trously if its stability and
hopes of progress were to be
jettisoned. The Western
powers have always declar-
ed themselves ready for talks
as soon as the blockade is
lifted. While building up
Western economy and defence
they have always declar-
ed that the ultimate ob-
jective is to bring an agree-
ment with Russia within
reach, if it is at all possible.
Perhaps they would have
wished to wait a little longer,
but now that the Russian
initiative has been made it
must be met with serious
and even encouraging scrup-
tunity. If the Russians are
really ready for a business-
like meeting with a clear
agenda, and not another
sounding-board for their pro-
paganda, then the Western
Governments will not desire
to hold back from it. The
progress of the meetings in
New York between Mr.
Jespersen and M. Malik will
be watched with interest.

"We of the West now have
the initiative in Europe and
we should keep it. If the
Russians choose to lift the
Berlin blockade, well and
good. But under no circum-

Why Are We Driving Spain Red?

Spain is bitterly offended
at her ostentatious exclusion
from the Atlantic Pact. As
the first country in Europe
to suffer from militant Com-
munism she cannot openly
disapprove of the pact's ob-
jectives, but for many years
she has seen the creation of
just such a defensive, anti-
Communist, bloc as the jus-
tification of her past policy
and so the means by which
she would once again be wel-
comed back into normal re-
lations with the rest of the
world.

Spanish comment, there-
fore, betrays disappointment
rather than hostility. For example
one paper asks, "Why call it an At-
lantic Pact when Italy is included
and Spain is not?" Another com-
ments, "Italy is preferable to Spain
in the eyes of the Western Powers
presumably because she fought
against Britain and America
while Spain, by remaining neutral,
prevented Germany from seizing
Gibraltar." "Or perhaps it is
Italy's 15 million Communists
against Spain's 15 thousand which
makes the former the more reli-
able ally of the two in an anti-
Communist pact."

Spain's bitterness today is
directed almost exclusively against
Britain. It is firmly believed that
the U.S. favoured the inclusion of
Spain, but that Washington al-
lowed itself to be over-ruled on
the point by the British Labour
Government in general, and Mr.
Bevin in particular.

Since, as confirmed anti-Com-
munists, they cannot express dis-
approval of the pact, the "sour
grapes" reaction, at having been
coupled with Germany in being
excluded from it, takes the form
of belittling its possible military
effectiveness.

"The signatories," one paper
points out, "could only put some
20 divisions immediately into the
field against Russia's 60." "It is
the exclusive possession of the
atomic bomb, not the Atlantic
Pact, that is restraining Russia
from immediate open aggression,
and, with the aid of German
scientists, will be at an end in the
near future." "How long can 20
divisions hold up 60, on the Elbe,
the Rhine, or anywhere else, with
a powerful French and Italian
Communist Fifth Column at their
backs?"

However, in general, editorial
comment on Spain's exclusion
from the Pact is being kept under
control until after the UNO
discussion of the "Spanish ques-
tion," probably at the end of
April. Many here believe that the
unquestionably brilliant pro-
paganda work in America of
Spain's Foreign Affairs, Sr. Felix Le-
guarica, has ensured U.S. support
to a South American motion
to annul the 1946 decision, when
all members of UNO were re-
quested to withdraw their Ambas-
sadors from Madrid.

The issue at Lake Success was
joined on a Polish motion
relating sanctions already in force
against Spain. If this renewed
offensive is not only defeated, but
a vote is also carried (against the
Communist bloc) to abolish the
sanctions imposed in 1946, then
there will be at least subdued
rejoicing in Madrid. It is to
avoid damaging the chances of
securing this small success, that
the public expression of Spanish re-
sentment at their country's ex-
clusion from the Atlantic Pact has
been held in check.

If the 1946 motion of censure
upon Spain is not lifted at the
UNO session, and the decision is
not immediately followed by
large-scale economic help from
America (which alone can stave
off national bankruptcy), then the
Franco regime will be faced to
face with the most menacing situa-
tion it has had to confront since it
came into power 10 years ago.
Close observers are convinced
that a further blow to his inter-
national prestige, at Lake Success
late in April, would make it
impossible for Franco to main-
tain control against the rapidly
rising tide of Communist-organi-
sated sabotage and terrorism.
Papers found upon a Russian
Lieutenant-Colonel, arrested in
Barcelona last week, revealed un-
mistakably that plans are far
advanced to provoke serious dis-
orders in Spain this Spring and
early Summer. The movement

HOW SICK IS UNCLE SAM?

THE NEXT TWO MONTHS
WILL TELL

By CLIFFORD HULME

America today is like a patient anxiously awaiting
the specialist's verdict.
After three postwar years of high living Uncle Sam
finds his step beginning to falter. Spots of un-
employment before his eyes have swelled into
one big blob that is still growing.

that is still growing. His credit
feels tight and his purse has
lost weight. Sometimes he thinks
he may have been too generous
with those dollar blood trans-
fusions to his anemic friend
John T. Ford.

Naturally Uncle Sam wants to
know whether his condition will
get worse and, if so, how much
worse. Friends assure him that
he is merely a trifle off colour.
Soothingly they suggest there's
nothing wrong that a slight dose
of "readjustment" won't put
right.

But his doctors, the economic
soothsayers, are more cautious.
While insisting that so far there
is no definite evidence of any-
thing seriously amiss, they ask
more time to study his ailments.
The next two months they say,
will bring the true answer. Only
if the symptoms persist and grow
will their verdict be "a recession-
in plain English, a slump."

Uncle Sam's most obvious
symptom is rising unemploy-
ment. The number of idle workers
jumped 1,250,000 in mid-Fe-
bruary at the latest statistics.
Since then further widespread
lay-offs, notably on the rail-
ways, have exceeded re-hirings,
and the workless total is con-
servatively estimated at more
than 3,500,000 or one in every 19
of the labour force.

Hardly less disturbing is the
number of Americans placed on
short time to make ends meet.
The figure is 60,000. No figure in
this category has been disclosed
since the Government announced
a rise of 2,000,000 in January
alone, but a further increase is
known to have occurred.

Seasonal Drop

Some firms plead "a seasonal
drop in business" as the cause
of lay-offs. Many others frankly
admit a non-seasonal lack of
work. Gas stove makers through-
out the country have just halved
their output because orders have
fallen to a trickle. The same re-
sults have been offered for lay-offs
in coalmines and in factories
making refrigerators, toasters,
electric stoves and motors, wash-
ing machines, paper and pulp,
motor tyres, hardware, chemi-
cals, farm machinery, textiles,
woolens, clothing, rayon, rubber
and leather footwear, tin cans,
motor cars and many other lines.
Unsold goods are piled up in
warehouses and shops.

Six makes of car can be bought
off the showroom floor. House-
building has slowed to a crawl.
Thousands of new homes lie
empty because the price tag is
too high and people cannot find
the money for downpayments.
Retail sales continue to slump.
These dropped an average of 50
per cent in January, eight per
cent in February and nine per cent
in the first week of March com-
pared with a year ago, and this
despite the stimulus of prolonged
bargain sales.

Latest figures show the biggest
slump in large industrial centres—
Baltimore 21 per cent, Pitts-
burg 16.6 per cent, Cleveland 15
per cent, Philadelphia 14 per cent,
New York 11 per cent, and San
Francisco 10 per cent.
Other signs of an economic
slip about the country are in
the cinema and the theatre. Race
track and totalisator takings and
liquor sales have nose-dived.
Doctors and dentists report 20
per cent fewer patients. Winter

will, of course, be launched as
good, stout, anti-Franco stuff, but
anyone in touch with the situation
here knows that the brains behind
it, however carefully concealed,
they may be until the moment
moment, draw their pay from
Moscow, and should the revolt
succeed, Moscow will not be slow
in collecting her dividend.

Many Spaniards who dislike
Franco only a little less than Com-
munism are sincerely puzzled by
our present policy towards their
country. Only yesterday a
staunch Republican summed up
the Spanish view of our official
policy by saying:
"It is now clear that those in
power today in London consider
that a Communist Spain would be
less of a danger to the signatories
of the Atlantic Pact than a
Franco Spain. The Communists, too,
would Franco one. This unusual
similarity of aims between East
and West, combined with Spain's
inevitable economic collapse, seems
to ensure that both parties will
get their wish before long. I can
only hope that they will like it
in London and Washington, once
they have secured it, as much as
they will unhesitatingly like it
in Moscow."

The comment of an American
diplomat who was present did not
help to solve the mystery. He said,
"In their apparent decision to
bring a Communist Spain into the
best interests of the Atlantic
Pact, the State Department and
Foreign Office must be in pos-
session of information which is most
certainly not available to their
own diplomatic representatives on
the spot."

Saddles Are Empty In Old Texas

By JOHN
DRUMMOND

Modern cowboys ride the
range from the cockpit of a
single-engine monoplane. The
grandsons of the hard-drinking,
fast-living, quick-on-the-draw
frontiermen have traded in
their shooting iron for a shoot-
ing brake. The horses are no
longer between their legs but
beneath the bonnet of a buck-
ing jeep.

A survey conducted recent-
ly shows that the once wild and
wanton West, like the old grey
mare, ain't what it used to be.
Many genuine tobacco-chewing
cowboys are tucked
away in the bunkhouses of Neva-
da and Wyoming and across the
West, but the last war has caused
upheaval. Some a bit of a
youngsters have even turned from
riding against rustling to hustling
a living—guitar in hand on the
radio, or leading reins in hand at
dude ranches.

Dude ranches are where most
paying guests, all tricked out in
their idea of cowboy and cowgirl
clothing, eat their meals from the
mantelpiece after the first day of
their holiday.

There are some within 90
minutes' train-ride of New York.
Hoot Gibson, the rough-riding
cowboy of the silent screen, has a
most elaborate lay-out, complete
with cocktail bar, at Las Vegas,
Nevada. The night I spent there
some time ago he was hosting
with laughter at the cinematic
antics of his Hollywood succes-
sors. Something about most of
his beginner's class beating them
on horse-back.

Yet, dude ranches aside, the
once Wild West is now on wheels.
And going places. At Wichita Falls on the fringe
of the Panhandle of Texas I
learned with a young ex-flyer,
formerly a ranch foreman who
rode the range over cattle coun-
try which stretched half the dis-
tance from London to Glasgow.

He returned from the war to
begin a private flying school, giv-
ing instruction under the GI Bill
of Rights to ambitious cow-
punchers and their bosses.

Checking Cattle.
There are close to 1,000 al-
titude checking cattle across the
west now, another 800 patrolling
fences for breaks, according to
the Civil Aeronautics Administra-
tion. Some ranchers are experi-
menting with helicopters.
Slow-flying single-seaters are
spotting strays. Pilots with
marksmen passengers are destroy-
ing wolves and coyotes by the
thousands.

Even the Indians have taken to
hunting buffalo from jeeps!
In the wild isolated Crow re-
servation in Southern Montana,
the same Big Horn country of
painted mountains where their
pony-straddling ancestors swoop-
ed down on wagon trains, the
tribe killed 45 great buffalo bulls
the other week.

Fourteen years ago Robert
Yellowtail, first Crow ever named
superintendent of his own reser-
vation, conceived the idea of con-
servancy of the tribe's buffalo herd.
The shaggy animals provide food,
clothing, tepees, bowstrings and
other necessities for the Indian.
In some parts of the West they
had been hunted to extinction.

The Crows rounded up their
herd into a preserve bounded on
two sides by deep canyons. On
the third side they slowly erected



"Former Boy Turns to Bank
Robbing."
Still living in the past, prob-
ably.

All types of British cars are
to be exploited in British films.
It may even mean more taxis for
the Rank.

When my wife left me I went
willingly to the door to cheer her
on her way.

"Hollywood considers it has
kept its light under the proverb-
ial bushel long enough."
H'm. Really. Oh, well...

When all the world is waiting
To hear the startling shot,
Is that when war is coming?
Nay, brother, it is not.
But when the shouts grow
silent.

And all the pacts are signed,
That's when the tide of anger
Comes rising red and blind.
The lumps down at the furnace
fires
Like stoking up the heat
When it is most surprising to
The man upon the street...

"I saw the bird 15 yards away,
on a fence at eye level, in perfect
light conditions, using a 6x binoc-
ular."
Probably looking for worms.

Dual personality, probably.
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pike, who
are staying at the Waldorf Hotel,
have returned to San Francisco.

You're probably right.
"Next" to tobacco, paper is
probably the most important part
of a cigarette.

"Mr. and Mrs. Evan Hill had
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Sales for
dinner. They were delicious."
Breeding always tells.

He that marries for money
earns it.

"You see, after the Head had
glanced at the sheet of paper, he
screwed up his face and flung
the thing into the wastepaper
basket. I wondered very much
why he didn't keep it."
Probably just sick of having
to wash it.

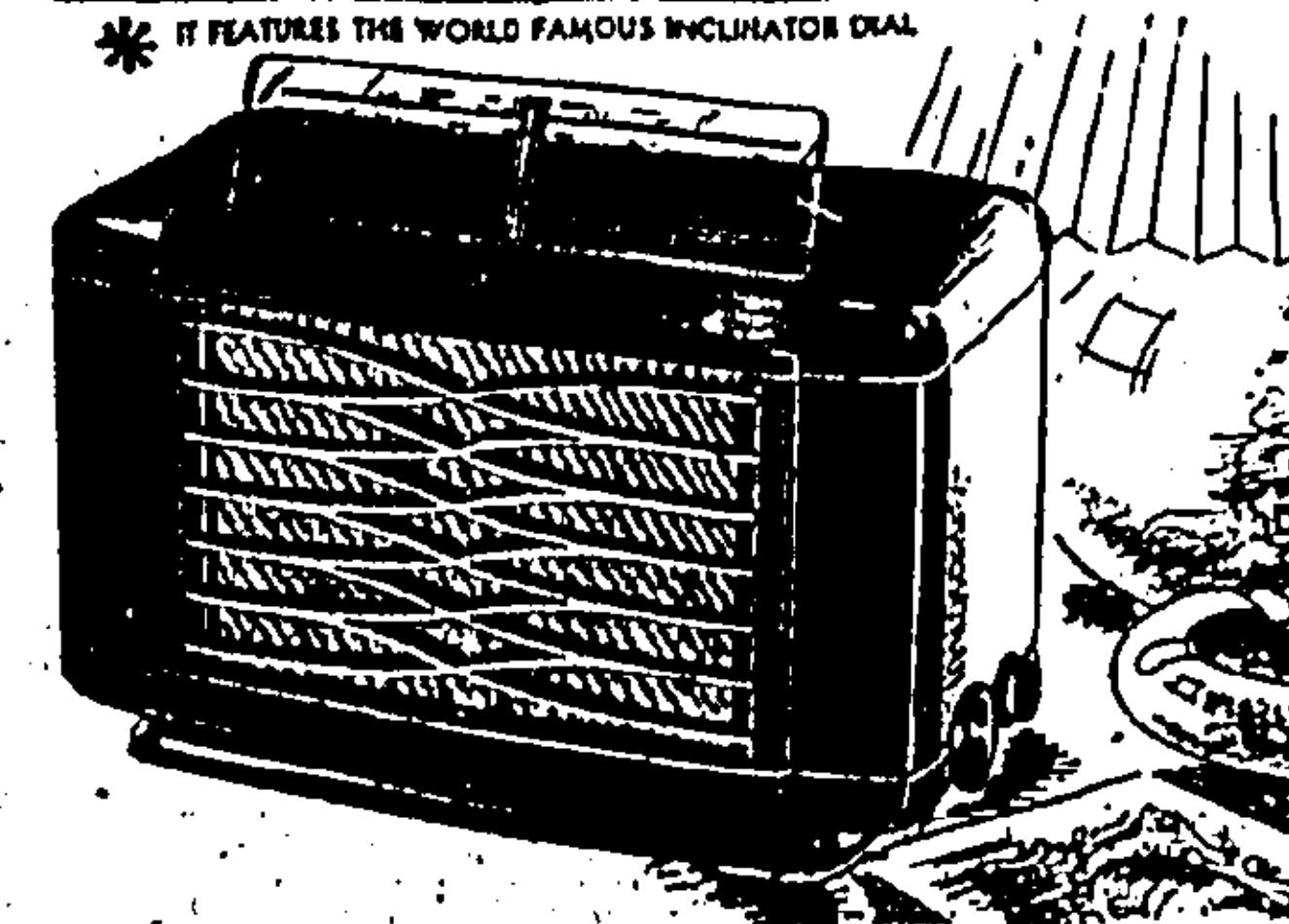
When statesmen call something
historical, it only means they are
a bit hysterical.

"You told me you never got
tired walking your beat," barked
the inspector to the new man,
"yet this is the second time I've
found you asleep."
"Well," explained the recruit
apologetically, "I would be tired
if I didn't get some sleep."

A stockade of logs 16 feet high.
At the leaps roared down on
them recently the buffaloes lifted
their heads and plunged off at a
speed which their bulk belied.
The jeeps followed.

Up hills, furiously braving as
the vehicles alighted into gullies,
the war surplus machines brought
snowy copper warriors within
range. Instead of bow and arrow
they killed quickly, humanely,
with powerful rifles.
One cowboy who accompanied
them commented: "Next time I
go into the brush after the buffalo
I want to be on a horse. These
new-fangled four-wheeled buck-
ing bronchos take too much out
of a fellow."
"Ugh!" said one Indian. "Man
with old ideas."

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WHAT THE FAIR MEANS TO HONG KONG

1948 was a red letter year in the commercial history of Hong Kong. As became the largest and most progressive entrepot in Asia, Hong Kong stepped out of the Far East and participated for the first time in its history in a trade fair which is internationally famous—the British Industries Fair. Although this fair is primarily confined to British Industries, one section has been given over to the countries within the Commonwealth and the peoples within the Commonwealth have been invited to tell the people of Britain and many foreign visitors what they do in the commercial world.

It would have been easy to meet this request by merely putting on a composite display showing where Hong Kong was and what it did in a general way. A topographical map would have met the case with supporting photographs with perhaps samples of exhibits from local manufacturers. Yet this would have been a passive contribution.

It might have drawn the attention of a few visitors who would have nodded approvingly and passed by on the other side. Such an approach would have been fatal. It would not have shown Hong Kong as a dynamic commercial centre vitally interested in everything that makes the commercial machine of the world tick. It would not necessarily have produced a single order, and it would have ignored one of Hong Kong's chief functions—the salesman in action. It would not have excited the interest of businessmen and the British Industries Fair is not so much an exhibition catering to the general public but a fair where businessmen come to buy and some to sell.

Bigger And Better

Fortunately, Hong Kong chose the dynamic approach. The stand showed what the Colony did rather than what it was.

A similar approach will be made this year in a bigger and better way. Too many people in the world know far too little about us and this is especially true of the people in Britain.

I suppose the popular idea in Europe is to regard tropical island colonies as dreamy paradises where palm trees sway and dusky maidens dance to the strains of guitars. They are places in which to play or may be to retire, but they are far removed from the incessant din of modern commerce which after all is what keeps the old world turning.

That there should be an island colony where the hooting of

ships' sirens, the creaking of cranes moving goods, the clanging of metal on metal, where the busy hum of industrial machines is heard day and night—all of which can hold their own with anywhere in the West, should be brought home to the people of Europe and in particular to the people of the Home Country.

This is desirable for two reasons. First, it would be unwise for Hong Kong to hide its light under a bushel. We have much to be proud of, we have much to offer the world and we do make a significant contribution to the commerce of the world.

The world has grown a great deal smaller during this century. The Far East is much nearer to the West than it was before the first world war. As a result almost any particular area of the world, including the Far East, is less of a self-contained market than it used to be. Since commodities of all kinds can now be drawn into the Far East from the most distant lands with the greatest of ease, it behoves Asian countries to return the compliment and to make the produce of the Far East available to all the markets of the world. The most effective method of pursuing such a policy is through

bound to take place to the benefit of both.

Commerce is one of those volatile elements which cannot stand still. It must ever be on the move, expanding or contracting and it moves under the aegis of that force which in the commercial world we call "enterprise." Where this quality is lacking, it recedes, where it is present it will expand. Enterprise means the searching for cheaper sources of supply, the cultivation of new markets, and the cutting of costs in the process of production and distribution.

The British Industries Fair is probably the best opportunity which is offered to local merchants to find new markets, for it is there that within the short space of two weeks the buyers from these markets are congregated together.

Moreover, they can get all the information which they require. The very goods which they might want are on exhibition. They can be handled, assessed and appraised on the spot, in a much more convincing fashion than would be possible from catalogues and much quicker than the despatch of samples.

Again, the British Industries Fair offers an opportunity for our local manufacturers and merchants to visit the Home country, and to see for themselves how a modern industrial country works. Visits are to be arranged to the large manufacturing plants throughout the country. Here Hong Kong businessmen will be able to see for themselves the latest in technological development and in seeing will be able to bring back

new ideas of what is required to lift local factories on to new planes of production.

Anglo-Chinese Friendship
Finally, one should not overlook the very valuable contribution which the BIF can and does make to the personal contacts which are effected between the peoples of this Colony and the people of the United Kingdom.

The organised visits of local merchants to England probably do more to cement the happy relationship which exists between Britons and British Chinese of Hong Kong than a dozen goodwill missions operating from the United Kingdom on to Hong Kong.

That personal contact at the "man in the street" level enables the residents of both countries to see what the other is really like, shorn of all the artificialities which invariably accompany "official" contacts. The Hong Kong merchants who went to England last year created an excellent impression on all those whom they met and it is known that they came back with an enhanced opinion of the English generally.

The British Industries Fair therefore is seen primarily as an opportunity; an opportunity to advertise the Colony and its products, an opportunity of personal contact between merchants and peoples. As the commercial capital of the Orient and lying as we do on the fringe of the Commonwealth, we cannot afford to let slip the commercial and cultural opportunities which our contact with the BIF affords.

By Eric Himsworth

Chairman of the Hong Kong British Industries Fair Committee

It would be modesty extending to the point of foolishness to keep these facts to ourselves.

Secondly, the peoples of the Commonwealth take pride in that Commonwealth. While their first loyalties are undoubtedly reserved for their territories, nevertheless, they are anxious for information and knowledge of other member states. The United Kingdom moreover has a particular responsibility towards the colonies and that responsibility cannot be properly discharged without full knowledge of the importance of Hong Kong to the Commonwealth.

Golden Opportunity

The BIF offers a golden opportunity of telling the other members of the Commonwealth and of Britain something of our activities and of the position we occupy in the Pacific Far East and of the work we are doing.

But the BIF means more than that to Hong Kong. At Earls Court, Hong Kong will be exhibiting the products of her factories, the salesmanship of her firms, and the facilities of her entrepot. Alongside textiles, flashlights, enamelware, will be the composite exhibits representing most of the firms producing preserved ginger, drawn work, and rubber shoes.

In addition, there will be exhibits depicting our dockyards, our banks and shipping companies. Import and Export firms will be advertising the lines in which they deal. In other words, there will be a very representative display of all the main lines of commercial activity in the Colony.

His Excellency The Governor's Message



Government House
Hong Kong

1st May, 1949.

I should like to take this opportunity of stating how pleased I have been to learn of the progress which has been made with the plans for the Hong Kong Stall at the British Industries Fair.

It is becoming more and more essential for Hong Kong to look further afield for its trading partners and the British Industries Fair offers a ready opportunity for our merchants and manufacturers to break new ground in overseas markets.

I congratulate the "China Mail" on this publication and those who have contributed to make the Hong Kong stall at the British Industries Fair the success it deserves to be.

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WHAT TO EXPECT AT THE FAIR

The BIF this year will, more than ever, represent the world's greatest assembly of national products. More than 3000 manufacturers, in 30 groups of allied trades, will exhibit the latest technical developments and processes, including an outstanding major display by the Textile & Clothing Industries.

In last year's BIF (the first in which the Colony participated) some 173,248 overseas visitors attended in London, and 101,730 at the Engineering and Hardware Section in Birmingham. This year, overseas buyers from over 100 countries will converge on London and Birmingham, assured of a preview of many new and revolutionary industrial inventions. Comment voiced on certain over-lappings as to the general arrangement of last year's Exhibition and Stands are being remedied, for some 1500 men and women (including Stall-holders), are ready to attend to the needs of buyers and visitors. All available space has again been taken, and there is a very long waiting list.

The BIF will show again that the long established British reputation for quality is being maintained, for at home both Manufacturer and Worker comprehend that this is the key factor upon which our reputation has been established. Yearly the producers of every manufacturing nation vie with each other, but Great Britain retains her lead in many branches of industry, and is continually expanding to fresh triumphs.

Whereas before the last War Germany and Czechoslovakia were renowned for toys, their position has now been succeeded to by Great Britain, and in 1948 there were actually 300 exhibitors of children's toys.

Leading The World

Turning to more important products, we retain our pre-

eminence in Textiles, their quality and beauty being a perpetual revelation to the world.

In scientific instruments (including Television), Britain again leads the world. This is largely due to the stimulation of British talent in these particular connections, enriched by our manufacturers always striving for perfection as much for the sake of knowledge as for the gains of commercial success.

Pre-war, criticism had been voiced that Britain was losing ground in a number of overseas markets, since its products, outstanding from the point of view of good workmanship and materials, yet lagged behind in design. This latter is no longer pertinent, and the Council of Industrial Design ever works closely with the manufacturing brains of our country to constantly improve Industrial Design.

This year, the wide range of Wool Goods of all types provides an admirable shop window of what our skilled designers and producers can produce, including the allied trades of weaving of light weight novelty textiles, the art of dyeing and finishing in reasonable shades, the ingenious use of alginates to coat the finest fibres so as to protect them during manufacturing processes.

Nylon Fabrics

Women will be interested in a special stand revealing nets and cords which individual firms have made from nylon yarns. In close proximity to it will be stockings in a mesh so fine that cobwebs look almost clumsy beside them. Also, will be shown the new warp-knitted Nylon Tricot fabrics, their lacy mesh so extraordinarily fine that an entire garment can be held in the hand.

For Hong Kong, this year's BIF is one of especial importance. Government approval enabled the Colony to set up a special Committee, under the

—By W.P.—

Montgomery

The United Kingdom

Trade Commissioner

in Hong Kong

Chairmanship of the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, which has convened regularly since the 14th October, 1948.

A stall of 603 sq.ft. (considerably larger than that of last year's) has been reserved and 100 local exhibitors will display at it, its design and preparation the work of a firm of London specialists.

This year the measure of Hong Kong's concept and broadening viewpoint can be noted, for whereas last year's stall was largely devoted to individual manufacturers, the general pattern of exhibits will this year give a far more comprehensive panorama of the Colony as an entrepot, with individual manufactures, various groups allied as trades, and a general compendium of its shipping, banking and overall facilities.

The Future

For a certain period in this planning, the Hong Kong Government, London representative attended, and the Colony is thus assured that the completion of these deliberations will result from May 2 to the 13 in London visitors from all parts of the world seeing precisely

what Hong Kong has to offer as a beacon of trading progressive-ness and stability, in a large area of the world so beset today by physical and mental ills. Her attainments will thus be immediate, but the long term aspect should not be minimised.

It is hoped that her participation in the BIF will be one of permanency, and that each year she will seek anew to advise the world of what services and incentives she can offer.

As a corollary to this, to reach her objectives, certain obligations are self-imposed upon her industry—the improvement of its general standards, raising the efficiency of its workers, lowering its production costs—so that unhindered and unfettered, she can become world renowned for what that and her entrepot can offer.

With the necessity for our Export Drive to ever expand, and with the year 1952 as the United Kingdom's ultimate goal for self-sufficiency, the BIF 1949 thus becomes a progressive and vital step forward to that purpose.

The BIF Special Plane

By John W. Ferris,

Secretary, HK BIF Committee

Hong Kong has once again given a lead to other colonies in its chartering of the "Solent" flying boat to carry its visitors to the British Industries Fair. The idea of a special plane was mooted early in the Committee's deliberations, and was born of a suggestion made by Mr. W. P. Montgomery, the U.K. Trade Commissioner, when the subject of reserving passages arose.

There were difficulties, since we had little idea of the number of people who would wish to travel. We could not very well ask visitors to register with us when we had no plane available, and we couldn't very well charter a plane when we had no passengers for it. However, after a little quiet testing of local reaction we went ahead, though at one time our firm passenger

bookings consisted of exactly two persons. As a result of press and radio co-operation, we now have a full list, and to our regret have had to turn away several who for various reasons were unable to book earlier.

The "Solent" is an aircraft which Hong Kong has not hitherto had the pleasure of seeing. The largest and most comfortable flying boat in commercial service in the world today, it will assure our visitors, many of whom are making their first flight and their first visit to the Home country, of a really first class trip. The plane has seating for a total of 34 passengers, with a cocktail bar and toilet rooms, and, of course, the high standard of service for which the British Overseas Airways Corporation is well known.

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MANUFACTURERS' UNION PLAYS ITS PART

For many countries which had unfortunately borne the ravages of war, the weighty problem to all alike has no less been concerned with the vital need of reconstruction.

Likewise for Hong Kong an equally formidable task at rehabilitation obtained in the early days of re-occupation. The resolute way in which this job was tackled has made possible more rapid progress than had been expected.

It is perhaps pertinent to mention here that the Hong Kong Chinese Manufacturers' Union has played its part in the re-occupation of the industrial life of this Colony.

At its beginning in 1933, the Manufacturers' Union had about 40 members. Since then it has grown in membership and has now more than 500 members. Many are leading manufacturers and well-known industrialists. Such a corporate spirit is so well appreciated that the logical conclusion is that it is bound to take even deeper root in the local soil in years to come.

Various Setbacks

At the outset when earnest attempts were made on all sides at rehabilitation, many member-factories who tried to re-establish themselves experienced various setbacks.

Some had their machinery and equipment lost during the war, others were without funds.

In this situation verging on almost hopelessness, the Manufacturers' Union turned naturally to the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for financial assistance.

Loans were obtained by some factories, but others, due to their inability to furnish approved securities, received no help.

In this respect it is fair to say that the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank deserved special mention for having helped in the Hong Kong's economic recovery.

On the other hand, it must not be overlooked that the Department of Supplies, Trade and Industry has rendered yeoman service and has, in fact, been most co-operative in making available to the factories various basic raw materials which were then in very short supply and which were unobtainable elsewhere.

A scheme on which the Manufacturers' Union has been working is a plan to build 2,000 temporary homes for workers.

The authorities have been approached on the matter and although Government have been quite sympathetic, their recommendation that a more permanent type of concrete house should be built was not practicable to the sponsors.

By Mr. U Tat-chee,
Vice-Chairman, H.K.
Chinese Manufacturers
Union

Therefore, this building scheme, for obvious reasons, could be pushed no farther than its blueprint stage.

Raise Living Conditions

It was originally hoped that the approval, by Government, of such a scheme would go far to raise the standard of living conditions of the factory workers who must now continue to live in overcrowded tenement houses which are woefully lacking in all the elementary needs of hygiene.

It is common to find between 20 and 25 persons occupying a flat where, more often than not, the kitchen, the bath-room and the lavatory are all merged into one service unit, with consequence that might well be left to ones imagination.

High rentals charged are beyond the means of the average worker, and it is known that as much as \$25 has been charged for a bed-space.

If a more decent place could be provided for the workers, they would feel happier and make for contentment which will not only increase their working morale but also insure against labour unrest.

When workers show greater efficiency in their work, the factories employing them will see greater production which indirectly tends to lower cost.

Another important project which the Manufacturers' Union is sponsoring is the establishment of a Technical School which, in addition to providing training in factory foremanship and management, is to offer courses in Textile, Industrial Chemistry and Mechanical Engineering.

A few supporters have indicated their desire to help. One has even promised to donate machinery equipment worth \$50,000. A third has agreed to contribute a sum of money.

The need for technical education cannot be strongly emphasized if Hong Kong is to aspire to the position of a fully industrialised centre. It is this conviction which encourages the hope that Government will give sympathetic consideration to this project in making a grant of a suitable free site as well as a generous donation.

Of its other activities, the Manufacturers' Union has actively organised many Annual Exhibitions of local products. The first post-war one was held at Kowloon from December 16, 1940 to January 2, 1941. It attracted wide interest and, unquestionably, was the most ambitious, eclipsing all previous records in the range of exhibits and the number of member-factories who participated.

No less than 150 participants had their own stands and the interest shown to the wide range of goods on exhibition was attested by the fact that sales made at the fair alone resulted in cash receipts of approximately \$2,500,000. The number of visitors, including many foreign buyers, was estimated at more than 400,000.

At the BIF held in London last year was the Hong Kong Delegation of six members which represented the Manufacturers' Union. The six members included Mr. Shum Choy-wah, Chairman; Mr. U Tat-chee, Vice-Chairman; Mr. Robert Der, General Secretary.

Their object was to publicise Hong Kong products and, at the same time, to study latest processes by personal contact with manufacturers in the United Kingdom.

This year's BIF has drawn a bigger delegation from Hong Kong. More than 60 member-factories, as against 24 last year, have sent their exhibits and 20 industrialists, representing member-factories, will attend the BIF.

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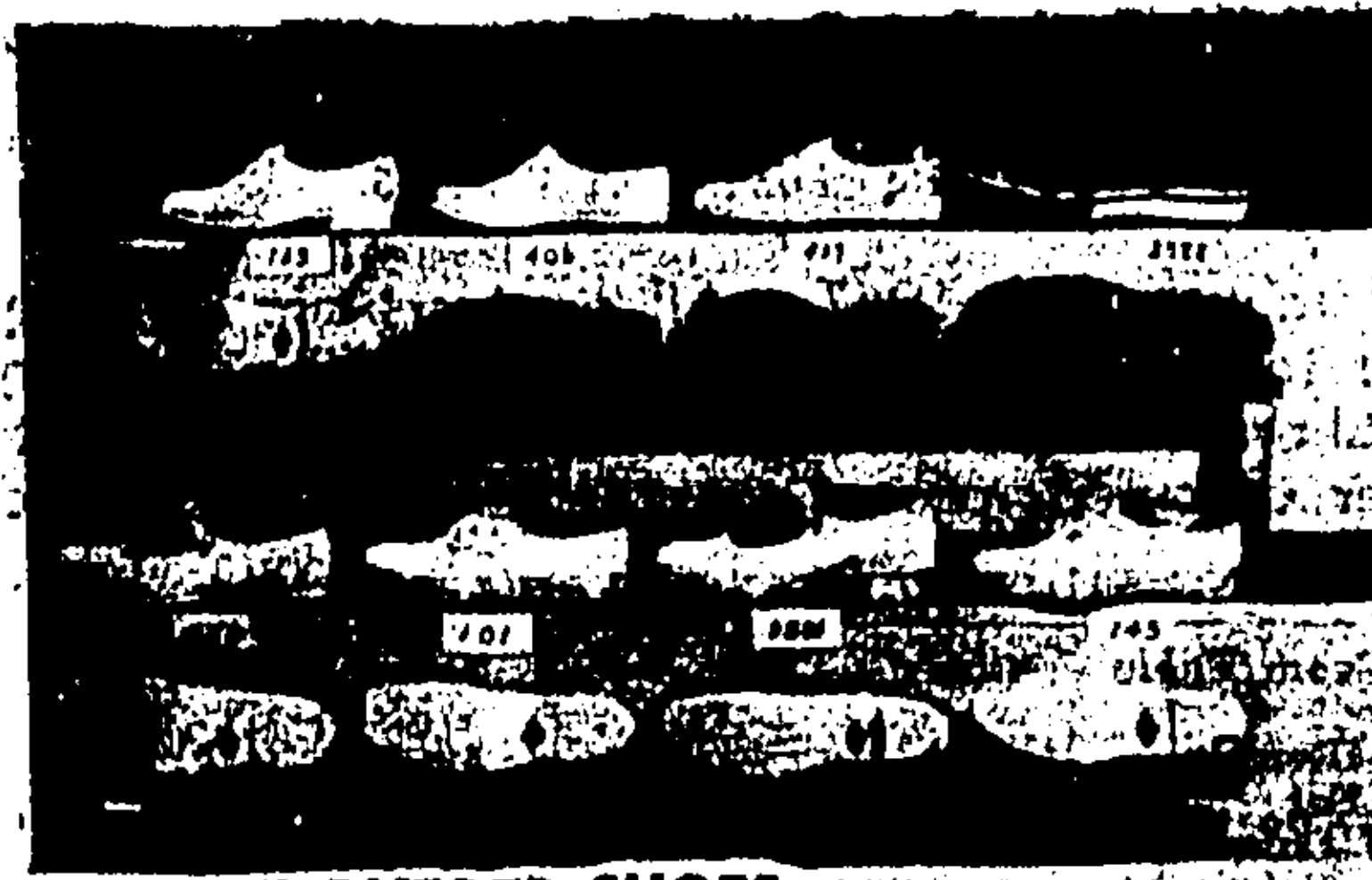
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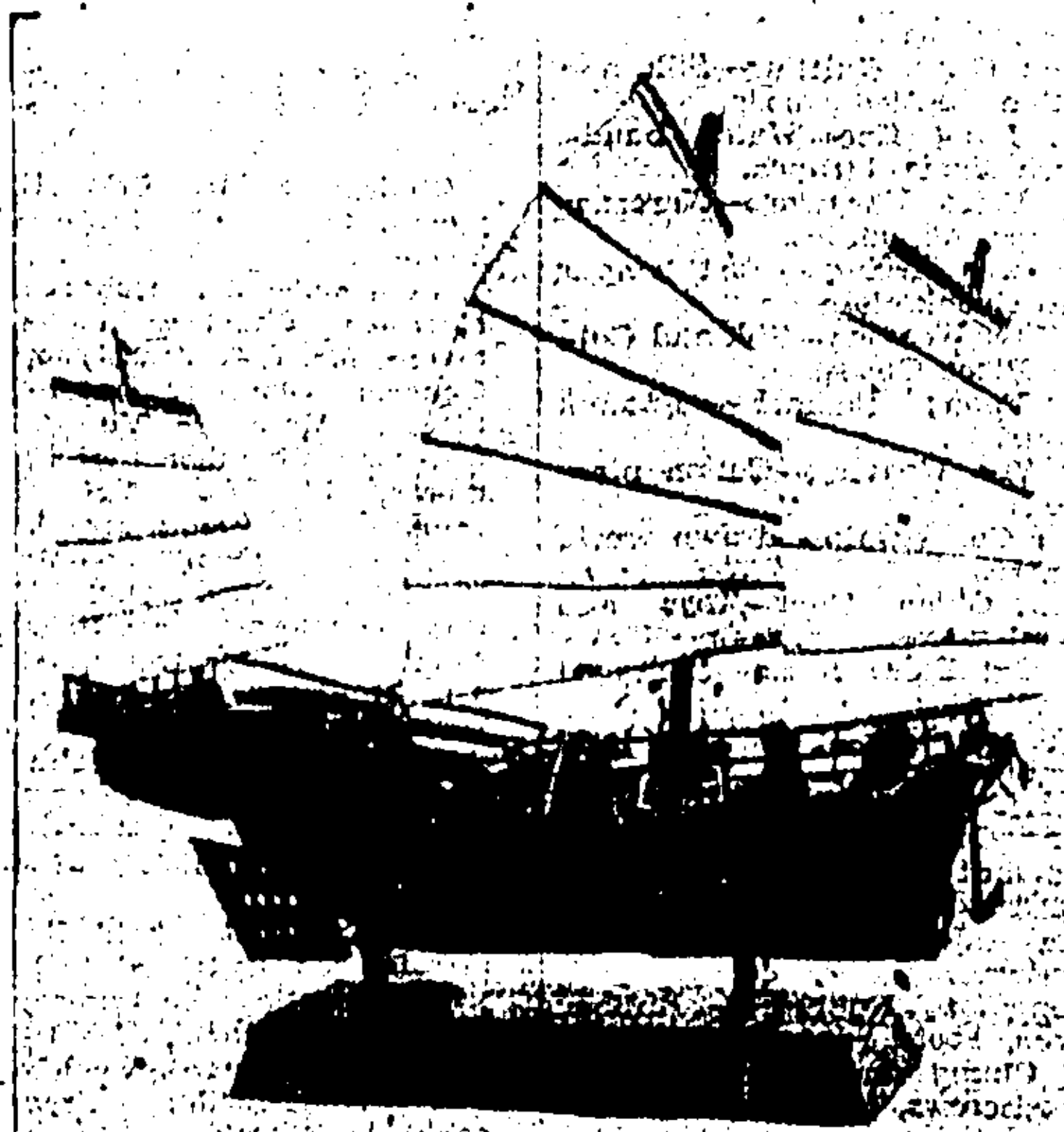
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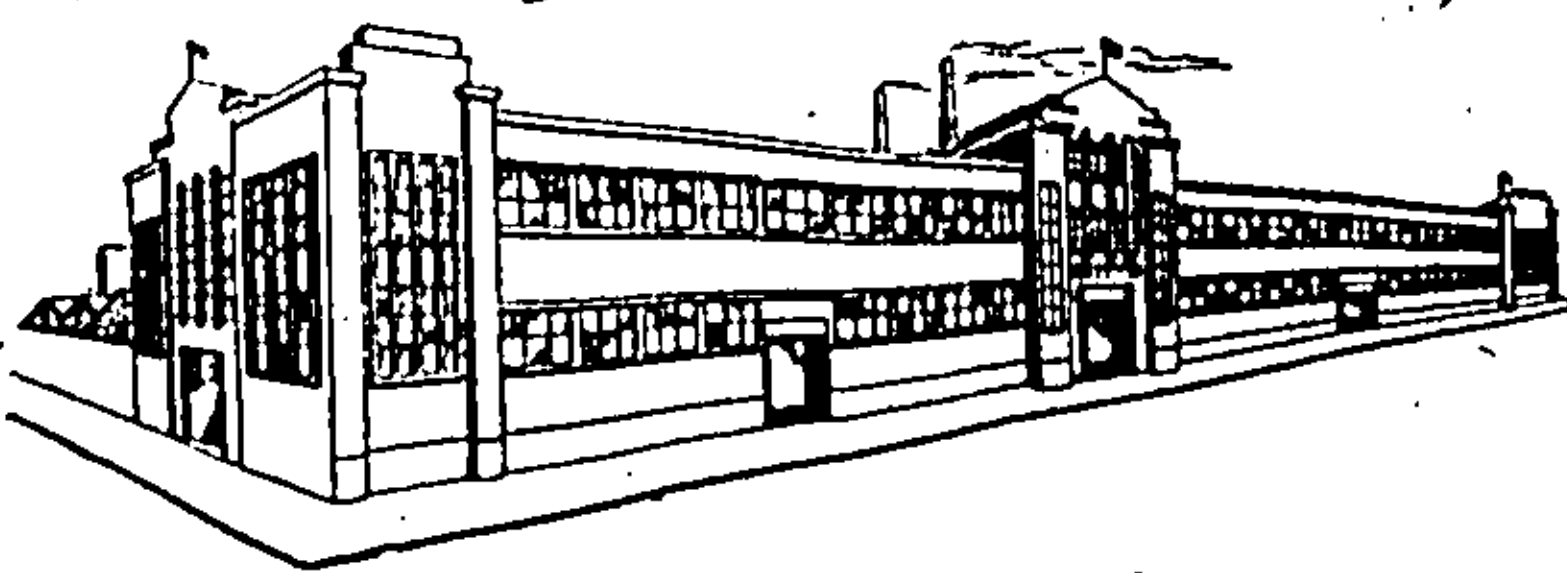
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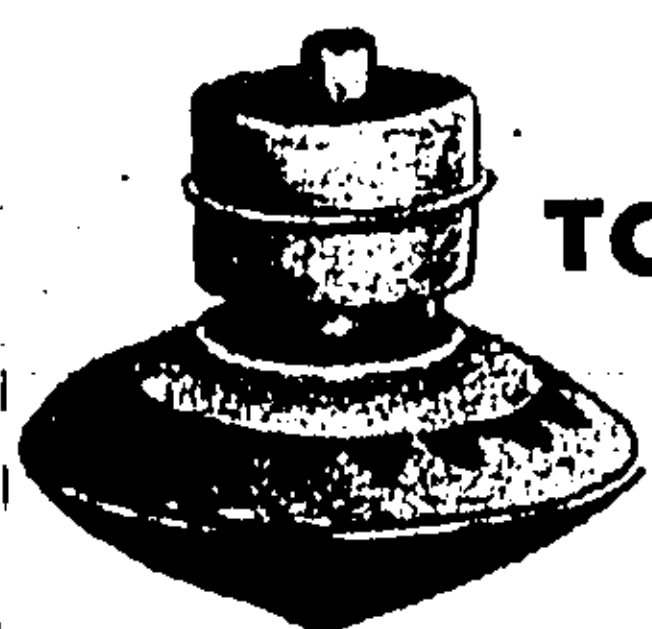
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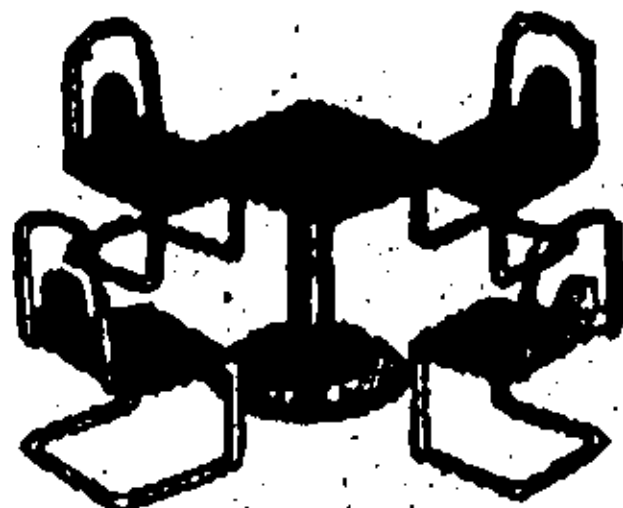
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HONG KONG EXHIBITORS

Last year's Hong Kong stall at the British Industries Fair was described as being in the nature of a village shop. All it had to sell it displayed, and like the village shop, it attracted many buyers who preferred to see and handle the lines in which they were interested.

This year the principle, now followed by several other colonies, remains the same, but the shop front has had its face lifted. The stall this year is designed by Messrs Bankwins, well known London display specialists, and they have advised on the layout and setting of the exhibits.

Over 100 firms have participated in the stall, ranging from small Chinese businesses to large combined exhibits such as that of the rubber firms.

The exhibitors number not only manufacturers, but import and export firms, agents, bankers, shipping and insurance concerns. The full list is given below, together with a list of the items which they have sent for exhibition.

China Casing Co.—Hog Casings, Egg products, feathers.

Sapooran & Co.—Poster.
Yue Seng Hong—Poster.
F. R. Gabbot & Co.—Embroidered slippers and shoes, charms, Mother of pearl ware, fish hooks.

World Pencil Co.—Pencils.
H.K. & Whampoa Docks—Photographs.

H.K. Rope Manf. Co.—Manila Rope.

Wah Kiu Yat Po—Newspapers.
Yathay Ltd.—Advertising.

Yung Zeng Peppermint—Menthol, Peppermint, camphor.

Everlight Manf. Co.—Torch cases and bulbs.

Harry Wicking & Co.—Model Junk.

Blair & Co.—Poster.
H.K. Preserved Ginger—Preserved ginger and fruits.

Diaward Steel Wks.—Hardware.
Ng Yee Hing Dyeing—Cotton Piece Goods.

Oriental Soy & Canning—Soy and canned goods.

China Paint Manfs.—Paints and Lacquers.

Lee Wah Weaving Fact.—Cotton Piece Goods.

World Light Fact.—Hurricane lanterns, aluminium pots.

Amoy Canning Corp.—Canned Goods, Soy Sauce.

Keen Sang Brickworks—Bricks and hollow tiles.

E. Penn Ind. Mfy.—Vacuum flasks, hinges etc.

Tak On Wo Co.—Cotton Singlets, Polo Shirts.

Majestic Chemical Wks.—Toilet Soaps, Hair Pomade.

Chun Ah Metal Wks.—Eyelets, Press Buttons, leather buttons.

Ah Hing Cheung Dyeing—Cotton Piece Goods.

Golden City Knitting—Silk and cotton knitted goods.

Tang Fung Kee—Watch bands, torch lights, buttons.

Man Fong Hardware—Kerosene Lamps, oil pumps.

Thomson Dyeing—Fast colour anti shrink cloth.

Wah Lun Weaving—Silk and Cotton Piece Goods.

Kiu Foong Enamel—Enamel wares.

Kow Yue Weaving—Cotton piece goods.

Prince Co. Swatow drawn work, dresses.

South China Toys—Toys and Metal wares.

Pak Kut Dairy Farm—Packaged Noodles.

Yu Kwan Yick—Seasonings and Condiments.

Chy Loong Soy—Poster.

I Feng Co.—Enamel Wares.

Freezinhot Bottle Co.—Vacuum Flasks.

Union Metal Works—Pressure Lanterns.

Continental Rubber—Rubber shoes, boots, rubber bands.

Dah Chung Industrial—Needles, woodscrews, nails, tacks, buttons.

Kwong Tai Cheong—Rattan.

Chak Lam & Co.—Carved Camphorwood chest.

Ultra Pacific Trading Co.—Poster.

Chai Bros. Hats Co.—Men's felt hats.

Mayar Silk Mills—Silks—special display.

America Asia Trading Co.—Embroideries, drawn work.

Wah Kee Leather Factory—Leather.

Yuen Hing Weaving, Dyeing—Dyed Cotton cloth, jeans.

Wah Hing Co.—Poster.

National City Bank of New York—Poster.

Nam Jam Factory—Electric torches.

Chung Mei Factory—Hurricane Lanterns, oil lamps.

H.K. Chiap Hua Manufactory—Hurricane Lanterns, Steel bats, locks.

New China Enamelware Co.—Enamel ware.

Kow Kong Weaving Factory—Cloths.

Wei Yik Flask Manufactory—Vacuum Flasks.

Tien Chu Ye-Tsin Manf. Co.—Gourmet powders, sauce, caustic soda.

Chung Hang Umbrella Factory—Umbrellas.

South Ocean Rubber Works—Rubber shoes and toys.

Chung Wah Button Factory—Shell buttons.

Pak Lam Weaving Factory—Towels.

Mee King Knitting Co.—Cotton Knitwear.

Kwong Wo Co.—Rattan Products.

Popular Rubber Works—Rubber shoes and articles.

Far Eastern Economic Reviews—Special Edition.

Carr, Ramsay & Co.—Poster.

Sing Tao Jih Po—Newspapers.

Combined Rubber Manufacturers—Special Combined exhibit.

Far East Perfumery Co.—Perfumes.

South China Tea Corporation—"Cocktail" tea.

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H.K. & Shanghai Banking Corp.—Special display.

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The Committee held its first meeting on October 14th last year, meeting fortnightly at first, and then, from December 30 onward, weekly. On Mr. Himsworth's departure early in March on leave Mr. U. Tat Chee was nominated Vice-Chairman and took over the Committee. Of the greatest assistance to the Committee was the visit in February of Mr. E.G.A. Grimwood, of the London Office of the Hong Kong Government, who until that time had been only a name (albeit an important one) to most of the Committee.

Sports Goods To Assume Role Of Importance

Sports goods, for a long time regarded as a luxury, are now viewed in that light only as a result of the currency shortage.

There are indications that many Governments realise that the playing of games is a most important feature in promoting the good health and the moral welfare of a nation. Team games especially promote good fellowship and discipline.

This means that, in spite of the currency shortages and the urgent need of capital goods, most foreign Governments lend a sympathetic ear to requests from the organised sporting authorities and grant licences permitting the importation of a limited quantity of sports equipment from England.

In like manner the British Government, through the Ministry of Education, are happily taking an increasing interest in the playing of games, particularly among the younger generation, and have recently announced a grant to enable coaching to be undertaken by the Lawn Tennis Association on a much larger and more national scale.

Controls Going

There appear to be well-grounded hopes that business in sports equipment will continue to improve as time goes on. The irksome and restricting controls which are now being removed will enable manufacturers to expand production, undertake improved development work, and in time, by virtue of this expansion, reduce manufacturing costs.

Since last year's Fair the supply of materials has become much easier and labour more fully trained to pre-war standards. In meeting the export targets the distributive channels overseas have become wider and much better organised. There is a noticeably greater flow of goods and overseas

visitors may be assured that the British sports trade will be well represented at the 1949 British Industries Fair in all sections of its activities and that their requirements will be enthusiastically met in every direction.

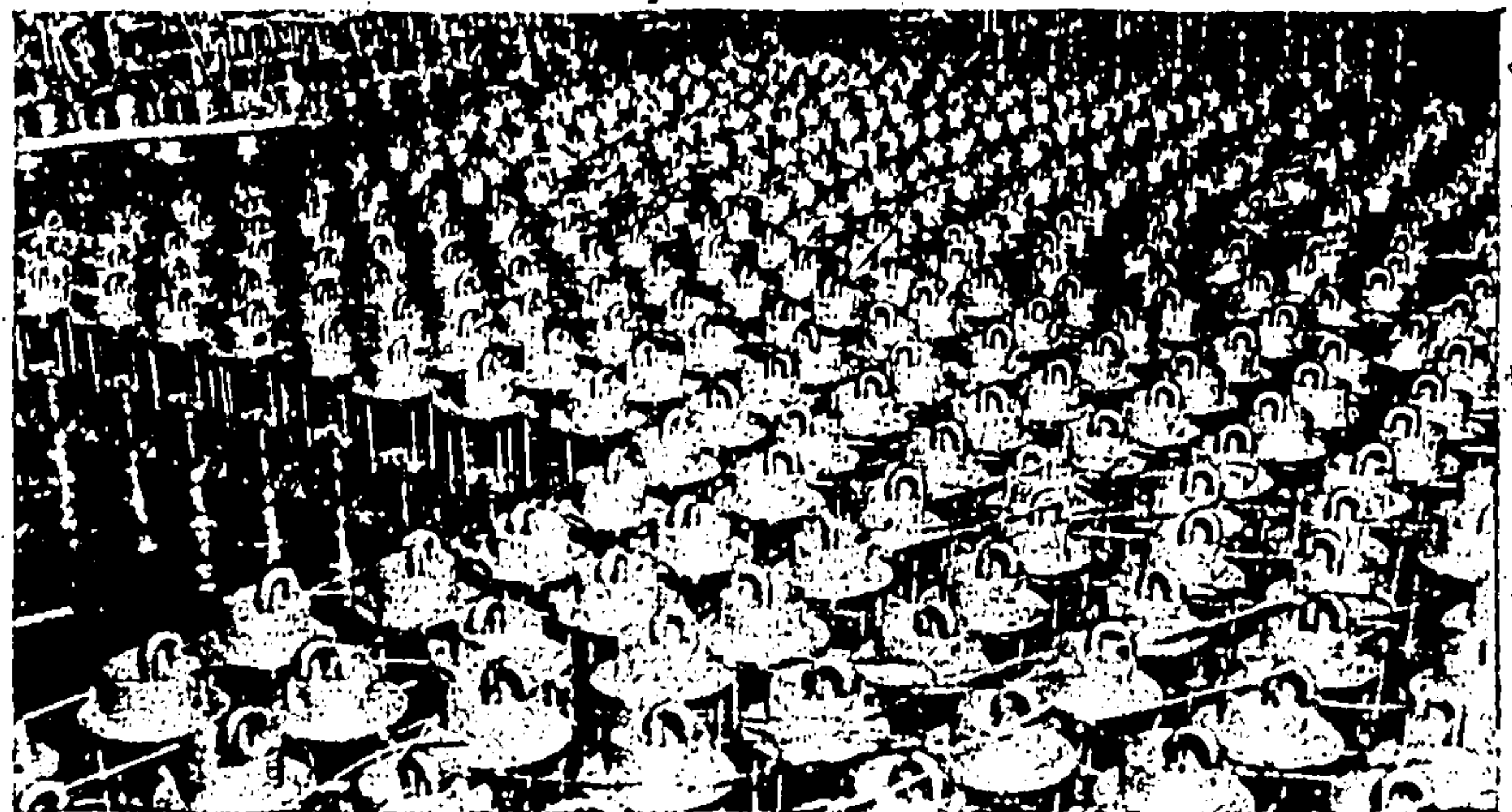
In the sphere of camping equipment manufacturers and designers have made very substantial progress within the last few years, and suppliers are confident that they can meet in every way the ever-expanding demand for adjuncts to an enjoyable and health-giving camping holiday.

Table tennis is another sport which is making rapid headway. Always a firm favourite on the Continent, its influence shows signs of increasing and expanding to a great many overseas countries where it was hitherto unknown. It is an ideal game for the individual or team and has the great advantage of requiring little space and of giving enjoyment and exercise at a very low cost.

Peak Reached

The general high cost of living and taxation which are common to all countries have unfortunately been reflected in prices of commodities, but it is generally felt that prices have now reached their highest point and everyone is working towards economy in methods of production in order to achieve a downward trend in the price to the consumer.

Lamps From Hong Kong



Considerable progress has been made in Hong Kong's industry. Among the few outstanding metal works is the Union Metal Works which produces incandescent lamps (shown in photograph) some of which are displayed in the Hong Kong stand at the British Industries Fair.

Photographic Industry

During the past year there has been encouraging development in the British photographic industry, which, in spite of material shortages and the even more grave restrictions on the manufacture of new plant and machinery, has been able to evolve a number of new products.

A valuable new introduction during the year has been a 35mm. extra fine grain panchromatic film for miniaturists who do not require the highest speed but who do wish to get, with ordinary development, negatives which will stand a very considerable degree of enlargement, and the same film has been introduced as a negative film for 16mm. cinematography.

The new British colour film, specimens of which were shown at the last British Industries Fair, is now on sale both at home and

abroad, while the manufacture in this country of colour films hitherto available only from the United States is well under way. The well-known British company which until recently has devoted itself to the production of colour film has now entered the market with black-and-white roll films, the supply of which for home consumption is still seriously restricted. In the export field, however, British roll films, both black-and-white and colour, are selling in increasing quantities.

So far as cameras are concerned, there is a rapidly increasing production of instruments in the popular priced range, and most manufacturers are now incorporating flash mechanism, which enables even inexpensive types to be used for synchronized flashlight work. In the higher priced market there have been some interesting developments, not only along lines

popularised by Continental models but also in entirely original designs.

With the growing use of small negatives there is a steadily increasing demand for enlargers, and a number of British manufacturers are producing instruments which are fully the equal of the finest imported pre-war models. Projectors for showing small colour slides and film strips, which are proving so popular in educational work, are available in a wide range of manufactures, and the leading instruments in this field have established a world-wide reputation.

In the professional category, both studio and darkroom equipment of the highest quality is being exported by the British manufacturer, and before long firms in this country will be supplying pressmen with the type of flash-bulb which at the moment has to be imported.

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In all the markets of the world there is a strong and growing demand for British games and toys. British representatives have travelled and studied the markets, agents are in touch with their customers, and British manufacturers are ready and keen to deliver the goods.

The British Industries Fair to be held in London in May, 1949, will again find toys occupying a large and attractive section at Olympia, and visitors from overseas will find much to interest them in new lines of playthings, indoor games, and educational and mechanical toys. They will doubtless appreciate the attention given by British manufacturers to developments in engineering and aircraft construction which will be reflected in the latest models of aircraft and in metal and mechanical toys. Likewise they will appreciate the adaptability of plastic material to toys in many

forms, also the many novel ideas presented in dolls and in rubber articles, and behind all the thought that has been devoted to hygiene and the avoidance of any possible injury to the one who, as actual user of the article, becomes that most important person, the ultimate customer.

Besides the display of a considerable number of entirely novel and patent toys that will well repay a visit to the B.I.F. there will also be on view many new designs and novelties in baby carriages. These have been under development for many months and in some respects will be unique not only in design but in the modern methods by which they will be manufactured. Visitors to the Fair in 1948 saw a prototype of the plastic perambulator, attractive in design and with no paintwork to chip.

Manufacturers whose names are world renowned for mechanical toys and clockwork and electric train sets have planned to add several new features to their already extensive range of products. Mechanical miniature road vehicles have proved exceptionally popular overseas. In many models that are not self-propelled an added play value has been given by the introduction of attractive mechanical movements. Manufacturers have their research and experimental departments steadily devoted to the design and development of new lines. One which will prove irresistible for giving delight to children all over the world is a

toy tortoise, propelled and steered by a control wire that is operated by gently squeezing and releasing a grip held in the youngster's hand.

Moulded plastic components in bright attractive colours give accurate detail for models of clock-work motor-cars, electrically propelled tug-boats, &c., and such lines are popular both in our home trade and for export. Several entirely new plastic toys will be shown at the B.I.F., especially in articles for infants, which require to be light and hygienic, to stand washing in hot water and endure long and hard use without becoming shabby. Sets of letters in accurate script have been produced for reading, each letter and figure having studs to fit into a base-board to ensure its correct position.

In rubber toys also there are important developments in the British toys industry. A notable exhibit at the forthcoming Fair will be high-class moulded rubber squeaking toys; these novelties are thoroughly hygienic, there are no ingredients in the rubber mixture which are harmful to children, the colours remain fast, the toy being washable, and there are no metal parts. Floating toys offer many attractive items of novel workmanship and design and will deserve the interest of the buyer from overseas. Rubber dolls of outstanding merit, with body and limbs which give a feeling of human skin, present a call for the attention of visitors to the Fair.

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Details of these and many other similar arrangements are as follows:

Travel

Visas.—Where a charge is normally made for visas to the United Kingdom visitors to the British Industries Fair may obtain the visa, where necessary, without charge on application to the nearest British Consular Officer. The concession provides for the visa to be valid for three months from the date of issue and includes families (wives, and children under 18 years of age).

Trains.—In London, both Ears Court and Olympia are adjacent to railway stations. For Ears Court tickets should be booked to either Ears Court or West Brompton stations, and for Olympia to Kensington (Olympia). Ears Court and Olympia are very near to each other, and a free motor-coach service is provided between the two buildings. The journey takes approximately three minutes. Many bus routes also pass the buildings.

In Birmingham the Fair has its own railway station at Castle Bromwich. Every day during the Fair special express trains will run between London (Euston Station) and Birmingham (Castle Bromwich Station). The journey takes a little over two hours. Visitors may also travel from Paddington to Birmingham (Snow Hill Station) and then by special bus to the Fair. Additional trains will also run between Birmingham (New Street Station) and Castle Bromwich every few minutes during the busiest periods of the day.

Visitors disembarking at Harwick or Liverpool can go direct to Birmingham if they wish, but those landing at Southampton are advised to travel via London. In all cases, if going to Birmingham, tickets should be booked direct to Castle Bromwich.

Air taxi services will be in operation between London and Castle Bromwich with a regular time-table.

Overseas visitors who intend to bring their cars with them should approach their national motoring association and ask it to make arrangements, with either the Royal Automobile Club or the Automobile Association of Great Britain, for an International Circulation Permit and an allowance of petrol coupons to be made available upon disembarkation.

Visitors who need to use their cars for business purposes where use of public transport is not practicable, or who take a car for a period for such purposes should obtain support from the Reception Branch of the Board of Trade for an application to the Regional Petroleum Officer for a supplementary allocation of coupons which will vary according to the circumstances of the individual case.

Accommodation

Hotel and travel accommodation should be reserved through the established agencies and visitors are urged to make such reservations, including the return passage, as early as possible before starting the journey.

In Birmingham the Chamber of Commerce has appointed a special officer to help visitors with their accommodation problems. In addition to the central hotels this officer has a complete record of the available rooms at outer hotels, private hotels, high class boarding houses, and selected private houses.

All inquiries should be addressed to the Accommodation Officer, Birmingham Chamber of

Commerce, 95, New Street, Birmingham, or during the Fair to the Accommodation Officer, BIF Service Centre, Castle Bromwich.

Inquiry Bureaux

There will be inquiry bureaux at Euston, Paddington, and Victoria stations in London, and at New Street and Snow Hill stations in Birmingham, where interpreters meet the principal trains. In Birmingham, too, there will be a Central Inquiry Bureau at the Chamber of Commerce, 95, New Street.

Both the London and Birmingham Sections will have special inquiry bureaux, staffed by Board of Trade officers, where buyers and exhibitors can obtain information regarding the regulations affecting export trade, and in particular, details of import duties in the markets of the world, as well as information about import restrictions, invoicing requirements, certificates of origin, and so on. Officers of the Export Credit Guarantee Department will also be available to supply information concerning guarantees offered by the department in connection with the export of goods manufactured in the United Kingdom.

In London these inquiry bureaux will be at the Addison Road entrance to Olympia, and at the Warwick Road entrance to Ears Court; at Castle Bromwich the inquiry bureau will be at a specially laid out Service Centre within the Fair.

Interpreters

A special corps of interpreters—easily identifiable by their brassards—will be available at all three Fair buildings. In London, at Ears Court and Olympia, approximately two dozen of them will be available at the Overseas Buyers' Club. They are expert in all European languages, together with Arabic, Turkish, and Hindustani.

In Birmingham a similar service is provided. They too, between them, speak all European languages and certain Asiatic languages. Additionally, many exhibitors have staff who speak the main European tongues.

Clubs

At all three BIF buildings there are Overseas Buyers' Clubs which can be used as temporary H.Q. for overseas visitors during the Fair. The clubs are comfortably furnished for service as lounge-writing rooms, and light refreshments are available. Facilities include: shorthand and typewriting services; interpreters; trunk and international telephones; postal and telegraphic services; English and Continental newspapers and journals. Visitors may have their correspondence addressed to them at the clubs or care of the G.P.O.

There are also Exhibitors' Clubs furnished in much the same manner as the Overseas Buyers' Clubs, and providing light refreshments. Facilities available include telephone and shorthand-typing services.

Ration Cards

Provisional arrangements have been made by the Ministry of Food to issue temporary ration cards to visitors from abroad where necessary. Details can be obtained from the inquiry office in the Overseas Buyers' Clubs. Visitors arriving before the Fair should make inquiries at their hotel.

Office Machinery

Eighty-three firms will be exhibiting in the Office Machinery and Equipment Section of the 1949 British Industries Fair. The trend of design is towards increased automatic devices; faster, quieter machines; and simplification of control and handling so that the work is made easier for the operator.

Some years before the war Great Britain appreciated the potential demand for office machines and set out to manufacture such machines and to market them throughout the world, with the result that today nearly 100 British firms are manufacturing all kinds of office machines, equipment, and supplies. All these machines carry with them not only British patents and ideas but British craftsmanship and they compare favourably with those made in other countries.

With a few exceptions, machines manufactured in Great Britain can now cover most of the requirements of accounting, statistical, typewriting, reproducing, and all kinds of office work generally. They are already in actual use all over the British Empire and in a large number of foreign countries.

The difficulty so far has been in having available sufficient production to meet overseas demands. All companies have been selling only restricted supplies at home in order to provide as much as possible for overseas markets. This position has, however, now improved, and the industry should therefore be able to export a larger volume of machines and equipment during 1949 than ever before.

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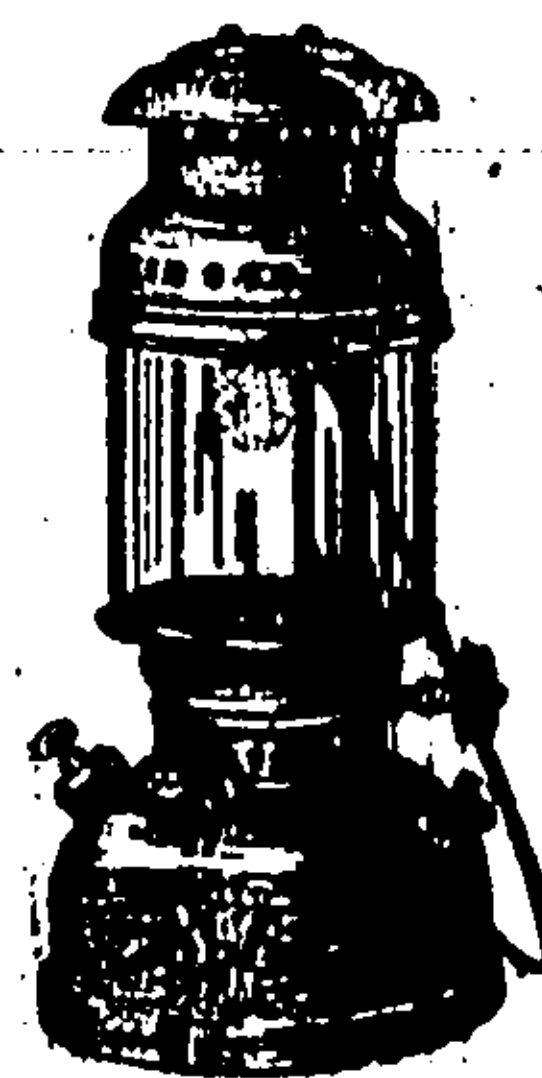
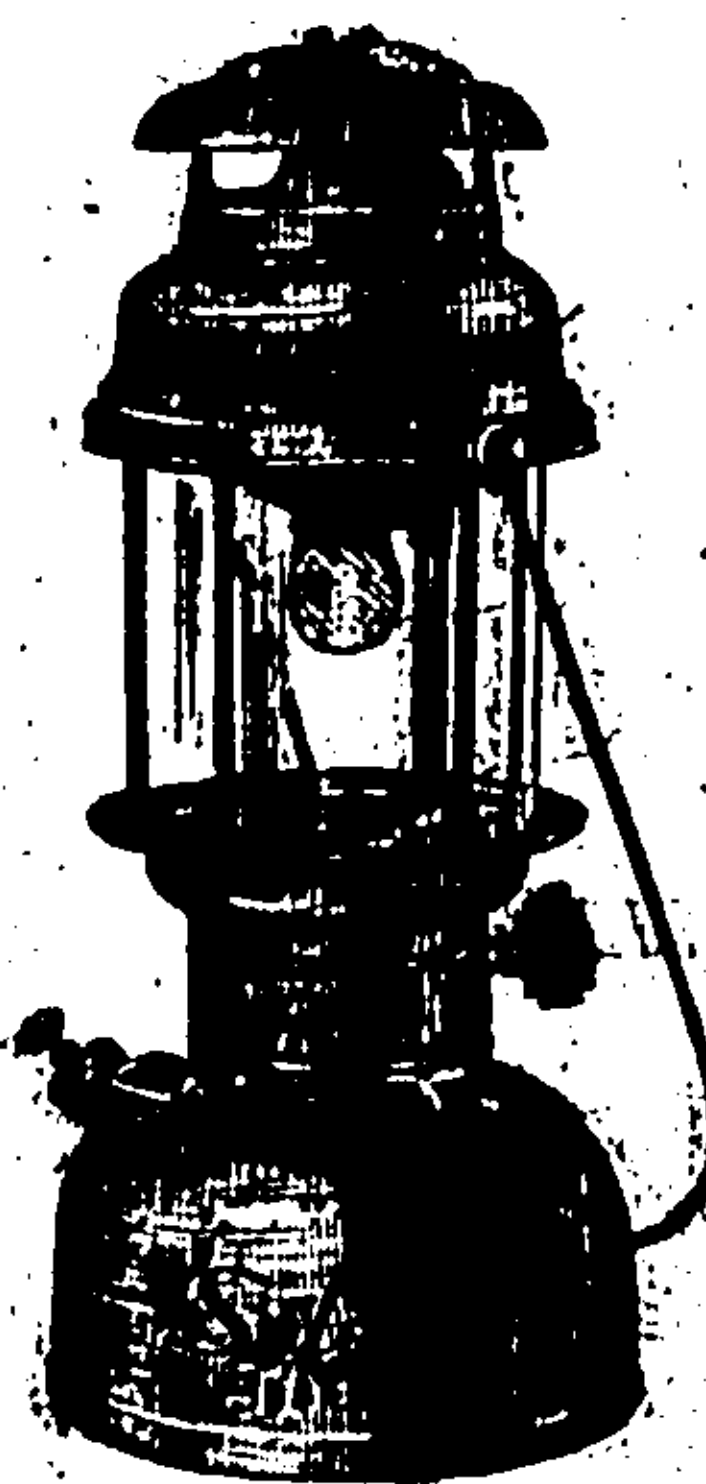
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One of the world's first-class motion picture cameras today is the Newall Camera, a result of British engineering skill and enterprise.

The studio camera is a key tool in film production and the emergence of a first class British instrument is a fitting accompaniment to the British film industry's challenge to Hollywood.

The story begins in the early part of 1946 when Sydney Howell of the J. Arthur Rank Organisation saw some precision tools exhibited by the Newall Engineering Company and suggested that a firm which could work to such fine limits—in some cases, to one hundred-thousandth part of an inch—ought to be able to make a film camera.

Sydney Player, chairman of the Newall Engineering Company, discussed the proposal with his technical men and decided that it was a good one, and J. Arthur Rank showed his confidence in the Newall project by placing an order for more than £100,000 worth of camera equipment. The plan was to make use of expired patents and produce a British camera based on the Mitchell design.

There is no doubt that this was a wise decision. Newalls had all the necessary engineering skill that the project demanded. The British optical glass industry, represented by firms such as Taylor, Taylor and Hobson, Limited could provide the finest lenses in the world. But in the matter of studio camera design the Americans held a long lead. There was no point in ignoring the accumulated results of experience, particularly in view of the fact that most British camera-men had learned their job on Mitchell type cameras, were accustomed to using them, and regarded them as the best available for general studio work.

Striking Verdict

As to the ethics of the decision, Newalls had no scruples about entering into open and legitimate competition with the American manufacturers. It

was, after all, merely the operation in reverse of a policy hallowed by many American precedents.

The making of a film camera is a highly specialised engineering job. It is an intricate piece of precision machinery—its own performance. The slightest abrasion of the negative becomes extremely obvious on the screen and the slightest movement of the film out of line with its setting in the camera, even one hundredth of an inch, blurs the projected image and destroys the definition of the picture.

At the same time, the camera must be strong and sturdy—capable of standing up to the rough treatment it is bound to encounter on the set. It is a splendid tribute to the skill and speed with which Newalls solved these difficult production problems that when, after inevitable teething troubles, they submitted their camera to the camera committee of the British Film Producers' Association, it was declared to be at least the equal of the Mitchell in performance.

Even more striking was the verdict of the representatives of the Technicolour Corporation of America who came over to Britain to see the Newall camera. So favourably impressed were they that they immediately ordered a number of Technicolour cameras—six of which are to be used in British studios.

The impressive range of machinery in the camera section of the Newall Engineering Works at Peterborough is evidence of the company's confidence in the future of their new enterprise—in the future, one might say, of a new British industry.

Many Problems

Many of the machines, such as the giant jig borers used during the war for such intricate work as the machining of gyroscopic gun sights for RAF computing parts for radar predictors, and sound locators, are capable of working to within two ten-thousandths of an inch. Newalls' toolmaker's micro-

scope, used on camera work for checking thread forms, register pin and transport claw chamfers and other forms which can only be measured by projection methods, is capable of measuring to an accuracy of .0001 inch.

Newalls' rotary and inclinable optical table (giving accuracy to six seconds of arc and a later model to two seconds of arc), thread grinding machines, mechanical lapping machines, internal, universal, and surface grinding machines—all play a part in the precision processes of camera production.

Newall engineers had to solve many complicated problems. The intermittent motion, the mechanism which transports the film through the camera and past the camera aperture intermittently at a speed of 24 frames per second, is an exacting and precise mechanism.

Certain parts of it require to be machined, ground, lapped, and polished to an accuracy of .0005 of an inch. The stroking of the intermittent motion is tested and set before dovelling with the use of a microscope and replica of the film made in brass to avoid any shrinkage. The film stroking is set and held to a limit of .0005 inch.

Any deviation from true traction through the film mechanism is immediately identified through the microscope.

Closest Fits

Another exacting dimension is the distance between the lens and the focal plane, the position into which the film is registered. This dimension is maintained to an accuracy of .0005 of an inch—an overall limitation which is difficult to observe in view of the six sliding or mating surfaces.

A high degree of silence in the working of the camera mechanism is essential. To eliminate the sound of metal on metal, metal gears are alternated with fabric gears. It is impossible to use fabric gears alone as they are inclined to bind; the metal and fabric alternation is a more practical combination.

Acclaimed as one of the world first-class motion picture cameras, the Newall Camera is on display at the British Industries Fair in London and Birmingham. Local agents for the manufacture of the Newall Camera are Manners Engineering, Limited.



The majority of the metal gears are ground, to form to maintain accuracy of contour and pressure faces. Eccentrics are used instead of cams and extreme accuracy throughout, as could only be achieved by a firm like Newalls with such a background of engineering skill and precision work, enables the closest fits possible yet consistent with the free running of the camera.

A small lightweight blimp, the sound-proof casing moulded to the camera body embodying the necessary controls, is used on the Newall camera. It is only possible to use such a blimp when the sound within the camera is cut down to an absolute minimum.

The Technicolour camera blimp is a much larger and more comprehensive casing. A varied collection of materials is used in making the blimp sound-proof, some of them being cork, rubber, and plaster of paris. A complete list, the property of Technicolour Corporation, is not available for publication. A combination of

materials is necessary to eliminate a certain band of frequencies and vibrations, as it is an established fact that no one material can cover this wide band.

The Final Test

The checking of an assembled camera involves some 63 test questions. There are tests for clearance, tolerance, freedom of movement, locking, alignment, and camera steadiness. In the last, the camera is set-up and focussed on a grid target.

An exposure, usually 300 feet of film, is made. The film is run back through the camera without exposure. The grid target is moved transversely and longitudinally so that a successive exposure will only give a small gap between the original and the superimposed grid.

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JEWELLERY & CUTLERY

For the second year in succession the jewellery, silver, cutlery, and horological industries will occupy the whole of the National Hall at Olympia in the forthcoming British Industries Fair, London.

Exhibits to the value of more than £1,000,000 will be shown by the combined industries, who have been set the impressive export target of approximately £11,000,000 (excluding loose diamonds, the exports of which, combined with other diamonds, brought £14,000,000 worth of dollars to this country during last year).

The trades to be represented include fine jewellery, costume jewellery, domestic and hotel hollow-ware, and flatware in gold, silver, electro-plate, stainless steel, speculum, pewter, and so on; toilet requisites in precious metals; enamel, ivory, and fancy metals; trophies, medals, and regalia; cutlery of every kind, including safety razors, razor blades, electric shavers; mechanical and electric clocks, timing systems, watches, watch straps and bracelets, watch

cases, plastic and crystal glasses; loose diamonds; and jewellery, findings in all metals.

These will be shown by 175 individual standholders and 100 composite standholders. The total cost of exhibiting at the BIF in 1949 is estimated at approximately £50,000, or about 0.5 per cent of the export targets.

Once again Mr. Hulme Chadwick, ARCA, is the architect responsible for the disposition and general layout of the hall, whose floor space is again divided into four sections respectively for the jewellery, silver and plate, horological, and cutlery section.

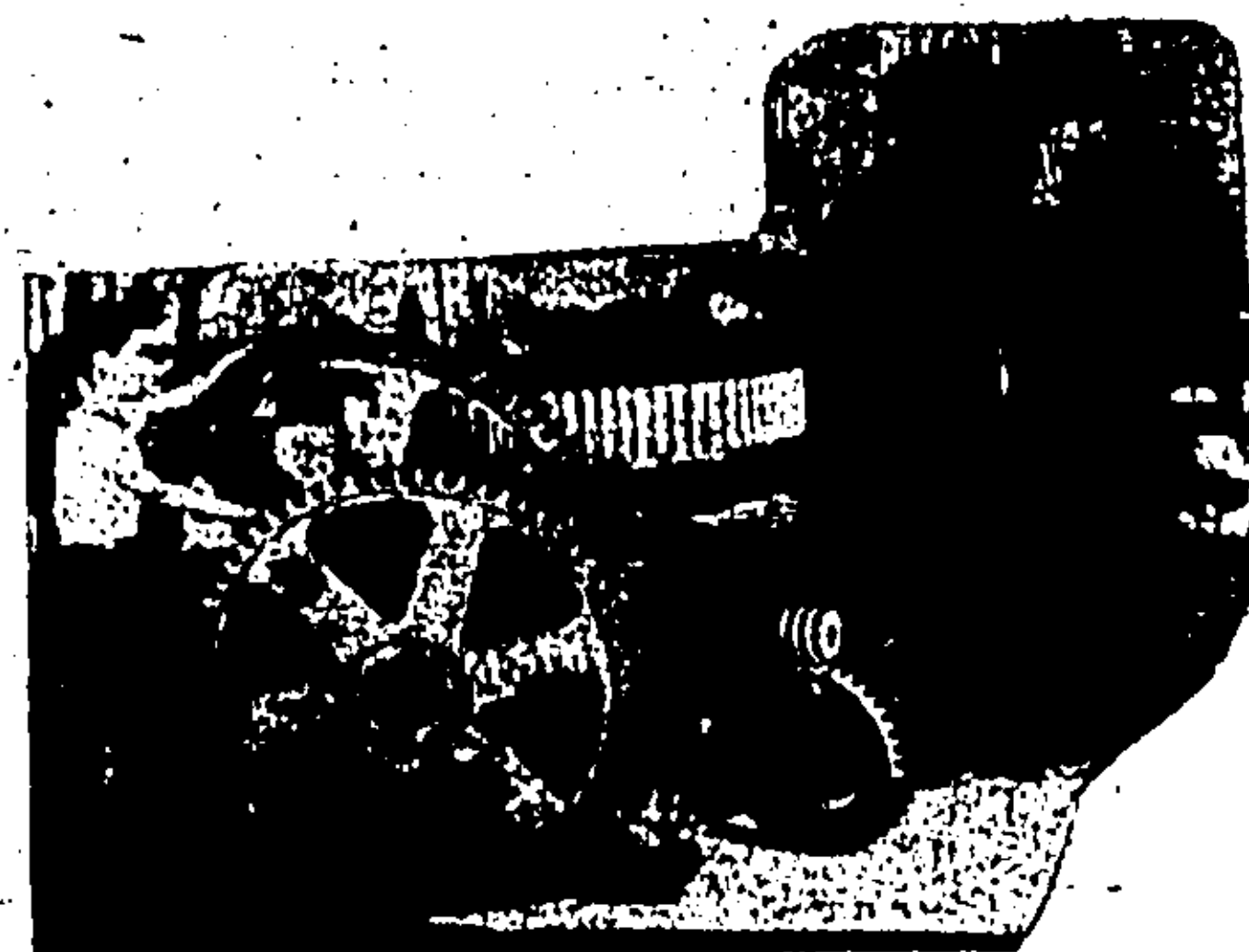
Focal Point

Last year the diamond exhibit was the focal point of interest, with royal diamond jewellery on exhibit by gracious permission of Princess Elizabeth, Duchess of Edinburgh. This year the horological exhibit will predominate to some extent, as befits an industry which is making such impressive strides in post-war production. Britain, in fact, leads the world in making such impressive strides

in post-war production. Britain, in fact, leads the world in clock production, and has also made a healthy start in watchmaking. Already British manufactures have a wide overseas trade, for it is readily recognised that British craftsmanship is the finest in the world.

The exhibits in the horological section will cover a greater diversity of design and manufacture than ever before. All mains clocks will be seen in various guises, and visitors to the Fair will no doubt be impressed by the production of a wide range of popular grade timepieces fitted with 30-hour and eight-day movements. During the past 12 months British factories have been able to introduce many new models at prices that have a popular appeal, both in moulded and wooden cases. Marine clocks as supplied to the British Admiralty and extensively used in the Merchant Navy will be on show, together with pendulum and lever clocks as used in most Government departments, and business houses.

Hobbing Machines



Hong Kong's manufacturers are taking a greater share than last year at the 1949 British Industries Fair at London and Birmingham. One of the participants from the Colony is the Tat Ming Engineering Works which manufactures a variety of equipment, including hobbing machines illustrated here. This machine has been built for a 300-ton sugar cane mill and can also be used for cutting spiral gears, worm wheels and spiral screws.

Tea--China's Age-Old Drink

By Ying Ming Ku

The Chinese were the earliest people to consider tea a beverage. As early as the Tang Dynasty, about 1,300 years ago, tea-drinking had already become a fairly regular habit with the Chinese people. Soon more and more people took to tea. To invite a friend to a cup of tea has long become a part of social activity among the Chinese. Tea, among the Chinese, is even more popular than wine.

Tea was first introduced to Europe in the year 1610. When the Europeans first drank tea, they thought tea-drinking was conducive to longevity. The Dutch considered tea a kind of animated grass which everybody should drink, and thought that the best one could do was to drink 40 or 50 cups a day.

By the year 1736, tea-drinking already became an item in the

English people's social programme. It became so popular in England that from the King down to the footman, nobody would feel well without drinking tea several times a day.

Is tea-drinking harmful? The answer is yes and no. Under scientific analysis tea may be divided into many kinds, and each with its peculiar qualities. It should be used with discrimination regarding to age and different states of health. People drink any kind of tea and the result is sometimes more harmful than beneficial.

Green tea contains more caffeine and tannic acid than black tea.

drinking green tea in excess will cause indigestion and affect the kidneys. It also destroys the red corpuscles of the body. Black tea is more beneficial to the old and brings to young people wakefulness, rapid increase of white corpuscles and blood pressure.

In making "Cocktail Tea", 18 kinds of choicest tea leaves are selected from Anhwei, Chekiang, Kiangsi, Fukien, Hunan, Hupeh, Kwangtung and Taiwan. These teas are then scientifically refined and specially blended. It gives a mild, sweet flavour, produces an agreeable stimulating effect and sobers the mind. It is good for the old and young, strong or weak. It is assuredly good for a dry throat through smoking or excessive drinking, for a cold, high blood pressure and mental fatigue.

Photometric Tube To Measure Light

A photometric tube for the accurate measurement of light quantity will be seen at the British Industries Fair.

It will be shown by Mullard Electronic Products, Ltd., of Century House, Shaftesbury Avenue, London, W.C.2, whose other new exhibits will include a new tetrode (directly heated type) for use in mobile equipment, a high frequency double tetrode for use in fixed stations, a comprehensive range of miniature and sub-miniature valves and a double superhet radio receiver designed for overseas countries with special features including band

spread tuning down to very short waves.

The Mullard Moisture Meter, recently tested by the Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada, will also be shown. The principle of the meter is measuring the change of capacity occurring between two condenser plates when moisture laden grain is introduced between them; as the dielectric constant varies with the presence of moisture the difference of capacity can be recorded on a direct-reading meter, calibrated in percentage of moisture-control. Four meter scales are provided, two for wheat and two for oats and barley.

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Engineering Section:**Labour-Saving Devices**

Significant trends revealed in the engineering section of the British Industries Fair (Earls Court and Olympia, London, and Castle Bromwich, Birmingham) are those associated with the saving of labour and the utilisation in industry of semi-skilled labour.

The use of all forms of mechanical or semi-mechanical handling appliances, for instance, is increasing at a remarkable rate among the engineering exhibits which will be displayed at Castle Bromwich, Birmingham.

There is a peculiar appropriateness and significance in the fact that the display will be seen at Birmingham, for it was in that city, and its neighbourhood, that the applications of mechanical power to engineering industrial production were first really developed, and it is this category of engineering activity that is chiefly shown at the Fair.

Other engineering exhibitions are held in Britain, at various times and places, but most of them are devoted to specific branches of the industry, such as marine engineering, radio engineering, and machine tools. At the British Industries Fair, however, the commercial and industrial buyer has the best opportunity of seeing how the productive capacity due to engineering developments can be, and is, applied to the improvement of almost every type of article. He

can also observe the methods employed in its manufacture, and how the latest discoveries of science are being used to increase the efficiency of production.

Special Skills

As an instance of how a whole range of scientific knowledge and special skills are brought together for the benefit of a single class of product, there can be few better examples than the manufacture of what is broadly described as "hollowware," a class of product which is always much in evidence at the Fair. Its production requires the combined efforts of the metallurgist, the press-tool maker, the chemist, experts in lubricants and power-transmission, and a host of other specialists, whose share in the finished article are vital though they may not be obvious.

Improvements in the production of ductile sheet metals have made it possible to make deeper drawings with fewer operations; improvements in the tools used have led to increased output and reduced the cost per piece; improvements in vitreous enamels and other finishes have increased the durability, and added to the attractive appearance of the product; and so on through every stage of design and manufacture, each development contributing its quota. The same process of advancement can be traced in the making of plastic articles, of hand and power tools, electric appliances, and a score of other branches of the numerous industries which are represented each year at the Fair.

Amongst the mechanical or semi-mechanical handling appliances on display are power hoists, self-propelled trucks, and the many forms of conveyors which are being made and applied to-day on a greater scale than ever before. This is a natural result of the need to increase production in a world which is experiencing everywhere a shortage of man-power, and in which there is a growing objection to do by hand any arduous work for which a machine can be bought or constructed. Coupled with this tendency is a growing awareness of the folly of taking unnecessary risk of personal injury,

and a consequent desire to make every mechanical or electrical device as fool-proof as possible; this, together with the shortage of highly skilled labour, has led to great developments in making all forms of mechanism safer to operate.

Power Driven Tools

The demand for greater production, too, has led to the introduction of many new power-driven hand tools, the design of which is undergoing constant improvement; and much more attention is being paid also, in the design of many of the larger machines, to the comfort and convenience of the operator. Push-button controls are one manifestation of this tendency, but it is to be observed in many other directions, such as the size and positioning of operating handles, special arrangements for illuminating the work, and the automatic removal of fumes, dust and swarf.

Two seemingly contradictory tendencies—which, however, are not really contradictory in practice—have been noticeable since the war, and still exert very potent influence; namely, the growth of standardisation on the one hand, and, on the other, an increasing readiness to undertake work that is special or unusual. Both tendencies may be seen well exemplified at the Fair. Standardisation, in Britain's industry, however, has never meant the enforced adoption of sizes and proportions and practices, against the wishes and judgment of the industries and trades concerned, because it has been a cardinal principle of the British Standards Institution, ever since its foundation, never to attempt to standardise anything except in response to a direct request from the industries or users; hence the standardisation that has been evolved has been a natural development.

The engineering display at the Fair probably offers a more varied group of "British Standard" articles than is to be seen anywhere else at one time; but the number of exhibits of entirely special machines and appliances, simultaneously displayed, proves that standardisation need not and does not prevent the exercise of originality in design. Moreover, the number of firms who are prepared to make any type of special machine a customer may want, and to work to the finest limits in doing so, is increasing steadily.

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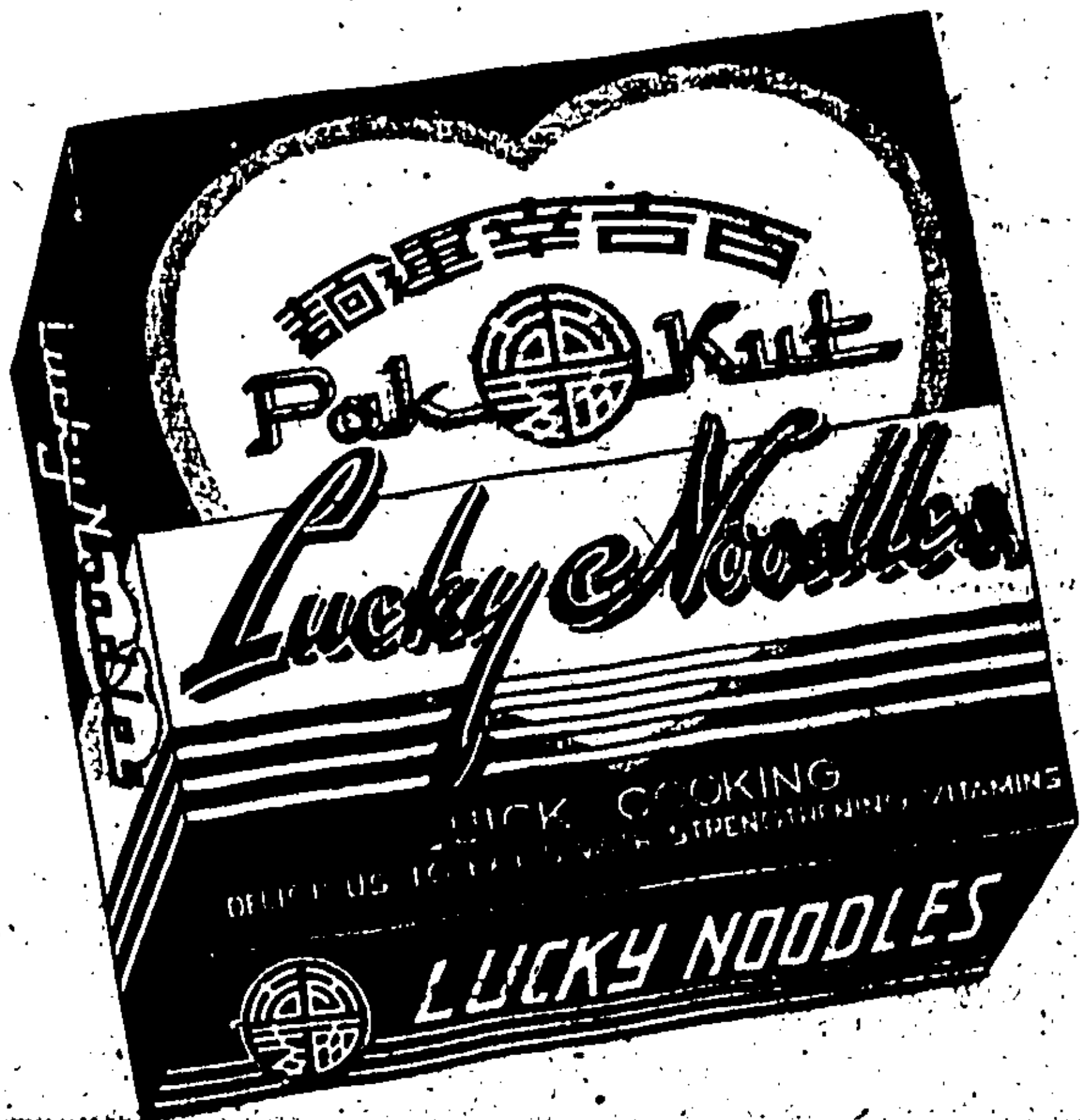
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A Wide Range Of Music Instruments

At the forthcoming British Industries Fair factories making musical instruments will display their products in the Empire Mall, Olympia.

In the Band and Orchestral Instruments Section a wide range of musical instruments will be fully represented, including many instruments and accessories, now being made for export, which previously were imported.

The exhibits will include not only the varied instruments of the band and orchestra—brass, wood wind, and percussion—but also a wide range of music producers for home entertainment, educational, and training purposes. Of special interest to the "professional" there will be trumpets, saxophones, clarinets (and other wood wind), drums, xylophones, and vibraphones; of equal interest to educational folk there will be school percussion band instruments, recorders, and flutes. Catering to the home entertainment field will be the display of a wide variety of fretted string instruments, such as guitars, banjos, mandolins, and concertinas, mouth organs, flutinas, and many musical novelties.

Under the heading of accessories there will be musical strings, violin bows, brass bridges, and so on. For those interested in marching and training there will be a range of bugles, drums, fifes, and bagpipes. There will be some six exhibitors in this section.

Manufacturers in the Pianoforte Section are co-ordinated in respect of export by the Pianoforte Industries and Export Group. Seventeen manufacturers will be exhibiting.

Again this year the pianos on show will include anything from miniature upright pianos to concert grand pianos, all of which will mark still further progress in quality and presentation. It is

anticipated that the range of grand pianos will be greater than last year, several manufacturers in the interim having re-entered this field of production. Britain has always played a leading part in the manufacture of what can be described as domestic grand pianos, i.e., that type of grand piano small enough to be accommodated in the modern home, yet of sufficient dimensions to provide reasonably good musical quality.

Screws, Needles

Hong Kong produces needles, wood screws, wire nails and nut buttons. One of the leading local manufacturers of these items is the Dah Chung Industrial Company, Limited—the oldest establishment of its kind in Hong Kong and China.

The company's factories in Hong Kong were founded in 1939. Its other factories, scattered in a number of big cities in China, have a history of more than 20 years.

The products of Dah Chung Industrial Company Limited are exported to all parts of the world.

Among the products, their sewing and darning needles of the "Bell," "Chicken," "Flower" and "Young Queen" brands are well known.

The Business Department of Dah Chung Industrial Company, Limited, on the third floor of the Wing On Bank Building, Hong Kong, welcomes enquiries and will provide samples, price lists as well as other necessary information.

Fancy Goods For Overseas

Since the British Industries Fair was held last year, manufacturers of fancy goods, giftware and souvenir lines have experienced many difficulties in common with most other industries. But fancy goods manufacture, concerned as it is with the production of articles which are all too readily classed as unessential, has had to struggle with many problems particular to itself.

In dealing with its difficulties, however, it has shown considerable courage, and where a defeatist attitude could easily have caused a heavy fall in production and the stifling or abandonment of new ideas there are, on the contrary, many new things and fresh designs for visiting buyers to see when they come to Olympia in May.

The fancy goods section will, as usual, be found on the first floor of the Grand Hall, Olympia, adjacent to the stationery and convenient for the many buyers who find interests in both trades.

The main appeal of exhibitors will be directed to the overseas buyer and, were it not for import restrictions and quotas enforced both by empire and foreign countries, a large volume of business could be confidently expected. As it is, there is every reason to hope that overseas orders will show a great advance both in volume and value over those placed at the fair in 1948 if for no other reason than the fact that the trade is continually improving its knowledge of export markets and hence is better fitted to cater for them than at any previous time.

In brassware, there will be shown an unrivalled range with non-tarnishable finish. Various firms who manufacture this merchandise have between them produced a number of new lines, not the least being many additional items in period reproduction brassware, which has always had a very special appeal in the newer countries.

Plastics

Plastics, which have, perhaps, lost some popularity as tableware, now more readily available in traditional materials, have made great advances in the field of imitation jewellery. A great variety of articles fashioned in

"Porapex," and deftly carved in bird, floral, and other designs, will be shown in coloured, and neutral finishes. Cameo brooches are also being made, with the appearance of carved ivory mounted in gilt frames. Brooches, bracelets, necklets, and hair jewellery will all be on view, many pieces being extremely pleasing although moderately priced.

Perhaps the words "imitation jewellery" may create a false impression, because these new articles will sell and become popular on their own merits. They are not and never were intended to be cheap replicas of any other class of goods. While, of course, there have been articles produced that are vulgar and aggressively ornate, the better plastic ornaments for personal wear will undoubtedly find their own place in the world of fashion.

Anodised aluminium ware will be seen in many additional numbers. The firm demand for fruit sets, vases, trays, cocktail sets, and other lines produced in this material is likely to increase still further since they harmonise so completely with the decor of the modern apartment. The articles are finished in permanent shades which include wine, gold, peach, jade, and black. It may be recalled that Queen Mary displayed considerable interest in similar articles at last year's fair, and indeed, purchased one or two in her favourite colour, cyclamen.

Compacts will be prominently shown in many new designs. The amazing variety of these articles, each having its own particular features, illustrates the constant effort to improve both the appearance and the usefulness of British-made giftware and fancy goods. One firm is at present working on an entirely novel

finish, and examples will be available for inspection by buyers in May. A design that proved popular last year will be on view again with some new features. It is the "Bon Voyage" compact, representing a miniature portrait mounted on a "Marguerite" must also be mentioned. It is a fluted and scalloped example, having an engine-turned inner lid, a point which considerably assists sales.

Brush Sets

Many new brush sets are promised for the fair, one very moderately priced set has point inscriptions, and for the export market is boxed in leather. Many cases are silk lined, and in all ranges buyers will find a notable reduction in price. Indeed, costs are down in most fancy goods merchandise. This has been achieved by improved production methods and a watchful eye on costs at all stages of the work. Quality has not been sacrificed, but as the sellers' market has receded, and as foreign competition has increased, necessity has forced management to effect all-round price reductions. The success that has followed these efforts will be very marked at the forthcoming BIF and will not for the restrictions which still hinder free buying; British-made fancy goods could compete very successfully in the world's markets with similar goods of any country.

Bowls, wall and table vases, bookends, table mats, trays, ashtrays, and brassware from the living rooms; brushes, combs, trinket sets, mirrors, lampshades, and manure sets from the bedrooms; compacts, cigarette cases, pen and pencil sets, and many other items from the pockets and the handbag are but a few of the many fancy goods that have become a part and parcel of everyday life.

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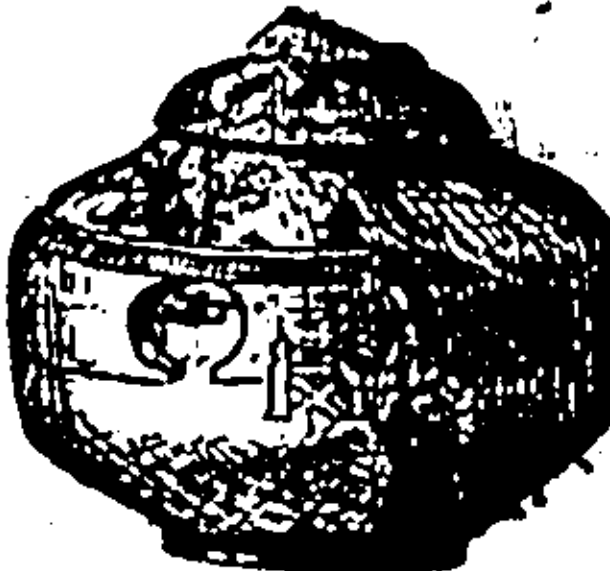
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Fair's Scientific Keynote

A wide range of devices used in the fields of industry, research, medicine and education, will be shown in the exhibition arranged by the Scientific Instrument Manufacturers' Association at the British Industries Fair which will be held in London (Earls Court and Olympia) and Birmingham (Castle Bromwich) from May 2 to May 13, 1949. The exhibit, which will be found at Olympia, will reveal that the products of this industry have been steadily improving in quality, and are contributing to the maintenance of the high reputation of Britain's manufacturing genius.

Keynote of the 1949 display of scientific instruments will be the close relation between the production of scientific instruments and Britain's efforts to recover her position in world markets by increased productivity. Scientific instruments are the basis of research and production, and a wide range of scientific instruments used in all industrial fields will be on view.

The traditional field of scientific instruments is that of applied optics, and at the Fair there will be many fine examples of this work on show. Microscopes will be represented by the products of a number of Britain's firms, and instruments specially developed for use in the medical, metallurgical and other specialised fields will be displayed. In general, microscope stands have been re-designed to conform to the most modern ideas of instrument styling, and the overall appearance of individual instruments is of the highest order.

Other optical instruments which will be on show include refractometers, polarimeters and optical goniometers. They will be of the most advanced design combining a pleasing appearance with practicality. These provide a striking example of the possibility of meeting industrial requirements while maintaining essential accuracy. Fine Craftsmanship

Chemical balances are also well represented. Among those likely to attract the most attention will

be the numerous examples of exquisite craftsmanship displayed in the microbalances made by several firms. These miniature instruments, formerly almost unobtainable in Britain reveal the immense strides that have been made in the post-war years in this field.

The numerous medical instruments in the exhibit indicate the vital part played by scientific instruments in the struggle to alleviate human suffering. A wide range of instruments is available from thermometers through radiation equipment to the latest developments in medical electrotherapy. It is not always realised that in this field great progress has been made from the empirical methods employed as recently as 25 years ago to the highly developed scientific equipment available in hospitals today.

The forthcoming exhibition will be notable for the size and scope of its electronic section. During the past year considerable prominence has been given to the solution by electronic means of many industrial problems and many examples of these will be on display at Olympia this year. Devices range from those used in industry for precision measurement and control to those even more directly concerned with increasing productivity. Apparatus is shown for measuring strains in aircraft and other engineering structures under load, and for making extensive measurements on internal engines and gas turbines. Other devices analyse the motion of engineering components moving at high speed as, for example, the valves in aircraft engines or the shuttles in weaving looms.

Counting Devices

Much interest will also be aroused by some of the counting devices enabling all types of packaging

equipment to be run at the highest speeds. These instruments can be used for counting pills into bottles, or for determining the output of cigarettes from a machine at speeds of many thousands per minute. There will also be a considerable amount of equipment designed to obtain the maximum production from steel works, chemical plants and other factories. These devices, known as automatic process controllers, enable such parameters as temperature, pressure and flow not only to be accurately measured, but to be precisely controlled in industrial plants where the maintenance of working conditions is vital.

Surveying instruments made in Britain merit special attention. Since World War II considerable re-designing has taken place, and the greatest attention has been paid to the location of the various controls and movements so that the operator has the maximum facility for making measurements in the field. In several instruments all the readings can be made with one eyepiece through which can be viewed both the vertical and horizontal scales. The performance of these instruments conforms to the highest standard required anywhere in the world.

Each year the Scientific Instrument Manufacturers' Association arranges a special central exhibit at the Fair designed to call attention to some particular modern development in the technique of instrumentation. This year a most topical and interesting display has been prepared illustrating Britain's recent achievements in the field of atomic energy. A series of stands has been set up, with the co-operation of the Ministry of Supply, illustrating specific phases in the production, measurement and applications of artificial radioactive isotopes. A further stand, of an historical character, shows early contributions made by Britain in the field of nuclear structure.

Products In Jars



One of the leading canning firms and preserved food establishments in Hong Kong is the Amoy Canning Corporation. At the BIF the company will exhibit its products in Chinese porcelain jars and in bottles. The jars, shown in the photograph, are of various sizes, shapes and colours.

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Inventions For Industry

New developments and inventions, an impressive feature of the first two post-war B.I.F.'s, will be equally to the fore this May, when the world's largest industrial fair is held again in London and Birmingham.

Sections exhibiting household goods and furnishings offer a good illustration of this constant search for new devices, as well as improvements and advances on existing goods. There is, for example, a bedroom suite which can be shipped easily and cheaply to any part of the world, since it folds up, saves 80 per cent in storage and transport and needs neither tools nor skill for assembly and dismantling. Erected units are guaranteed rigid and dustproof. (Louis Gilbert, 53 Barwick Road, Leeds).

New Furniture

Of particular interest for hot climates are range divans made by a new process from special laminated board which can stand up to the heat and humidity of the tropics. Manufacturers of these divans will also be showing new suspension springing of rubber and spring wire, which makes possible the springing of luxurious upholstery by unskilled labour. (Price Bros of South Street, Wellington, Somerset).

High class reproductions of English period furniture—said to be in immense demand abroad—have also been processed to stand up to any climatic conditions. One of the pieces to be shown at the BIF will be a reproduction of a fine Georgian secretaire bookcase. The inside of the drawer is lined with antique finished leather, gift tooled. Another item revealing the care and attention to detail put into these reproductions is a small mahogany Georgian serpentine front sideboard. (Restall Brown and Glen, 261 Tottenham Court Road, London).

New Process

To meet increasing overseas enquiries for vases, table lamps and standards in period styles, a Bir-

mingham firm has perfected a new process which renders products rustproof in all climates. (Thornton Owen, Leche's Place, Birmingham). The same firm will also show a new type of fitting for fluorescent lighting which allows plain tube lighting to be incorporated into the decoration scheme of any room or hall without looking out of place.

A unique exhibit to be shown for the first time at this year's BIF is a dining table which is also a precision drawing table with a parallel motion straight edge. It was designed for exploration by a London Survey department and is packed for transport in a tropicalised canvas case measuring only four feet by one foot nine inches. (The total weight is 72 lbs. (Holmes Bros of Holborn Works, Bileston Road, Walthamstow, London).

At the other end of the scale are a wide variety of novelties such as cruet sets made from cast resins to give a mottled alabaster effect. (Strong and Coy, Central Building, Beaconsfield).

A Nutcracker working on the principle of a car jack and claimed to be the only Nutcracker that won't break the kernel. (Linton and Coy, 34, Ormaburg Street, London). A waterproof electric blanket that can be laundered in the home. (Warm Glow Coy of 1,133 London Road, Leigh on sea). From a Northern Ireland firm comes a new fabric for interior decoration that has a special finish giving the appearance of real silk. (Henry Nathan and Co. of 74, Cheapside, London, E.C.2).

Specially designed for export is a China teaset, units of which can be stacked one on top of the other so that the whole set may be carried in one hand. (Linton and Coy). Another interesting exhibit in this group is art jewellery combining real English Bone China with solid silver. The natural colours of flower motifs are set against a silver mount—the theme believed to be entirely new to the jewellery trade. (D. H.

Phillips of 4 Holborn Circus, London).

Considerable attention has been given to Nursery needs. One firm will show a plastic waterproof play pen which a child cannot move, yet which weighs only 11 ounces. The secret of this pen is its flexible, washable plastic floor, shaped like a box lid, with sides six inches high. A child cannot move the pen because the floor anchors it in one position. (Kiddercraft Ltd. of 66 Barkstone Gardens, Barts Court, London). The same firm will also be showing a child's drinking beaker that can be bolted and frogs which it is extremely difficult to spill liquids. Made from a new plastic material that is almost indestructible, the beaker has a wide base with a special gripping surface, and if knocked it slides along the table instead of tipping over.

For Nursery Use

Another new exhibit for nursery use is a folding pram incorporating a cot which can be lifted out with the baby still asleep in it, and set up separately. Designed specially for flat dwellers with restricted storage space, the combined pram cot is easily transportable, the cot itself folding flat when not in use. (Derek Products, Ltd., of 10 Prospect Road, Portsmouth).

The programme contains details of steel records broken, tractor exports, and some of the BIF exhibits.

All production records of the British steel industry were broken, last month when steel workers achieved a rate of 16,176,000 tons yearly—the first time in their history that they have passed the 16,000,000 mark.

This latest record—made in the shortest working month—follows an unchecked expansion throughout 1948 with a single exception of the holiday month, of July.

It compares with the annual rate of 15,760,000 tons in November, the previous best month, and

is 1,000,000 tons higher than the annual rate reached in February last year.

Pig iron production last month was at the annual rate of 9,420,000 tons compared to 8,169,000 tons in February last year.

Ford Motors of Dagenham, Essex, broke all existing export records for tractors last month. Despite its being a short month, 3,654 tractors were shipped overseas, the total exceeding that for any previous month and equal to 180 tractors exported for each working day.

These Fordson major tractors were sent to 30 different countries and had a total value of £1,000,000.

Another tractor in news is the British Ferguson which has proved very successful in recent Swedish military tests. The object of these tests was to examine the potentialities of tractors and mounted trailers for military use.

After careful study of existing types which covered a large range of models, including some designed in Sweden, the army has decided to restrict its final tests to Ferguson.

Six of these machines have arrived in Stockholm where experiments are now being held to prove their suitability for carrying equipment across mountainous terrain under active service conditions. The first results, says a Swedish report, were "more than satisfactory."

Two Every Minute

According to a report published by a political and economic planning organisation last month, the potential output of tractors in the United Kingdom is now 200,000 yearly or nearly two a minute of working time.

Following are some of the varied new products typifying the wide range covered by the British Industries Fair.

Latest electronic organs made by a Norwich England firm, is stated to require no precision engineering and to have no moving parts to wear out. Providing a complete range of necessary harmonies, all of which are pure tones, 'tis so nearly like the traditional pipe organ that it is almost impossible to tell the difference.

The same manufacturers will also be showing an invention that enables bell ringers to practice their art in silence. It comprises electronic generators of bell sounds. All traditional bells can be played from keyboard and, by listening with headphones, an operator can practice without actually sounding bells at all. Another advantage is that only one man is required to ring the most complicated peal.

This invention was evolved as a result of the demand for Church bells in face of a general lack of funds and suitable bellfries.

A new ballpoint pen will be shown by a London pen pencil manufacturer which differs from other ballpoint pens in that the ink has been specially compounded to meet extreme climatic conditions.

Claimed to be unlike any other garment of its type at present being marketed in England is the Riding Mac, presented by a London sports clothing firm. The Mac has knee pockets to protect the wearer against wet grass. Back lining is of warm loose wool in check and the material of Mac itself is thornresisting, tough, close and double textured with small yellow inside finish.

Other features designed for a rider's comfort are: full fly front, right up to the collar, loss proof buttons with novel link fastening, wind cuffs and straps to seal wearer against cold and wet, underarm ventilation, special conductor edging to prevent wet creeping up inside the coat, big pockets giving access to inner garments, attached collar, flap which closes neck completely, and ample skirt and fan to shed water clear of saddle.

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Latest Textile Technique

At the forthcoming Fair at Earls Court next May, approximately 300 firms will reveal the latest developments in textile technique and the combined performance will demonstrate the successful clearance of the obstacles to supply which immediately after the war appeared insurmountable.

Textile output is steadily approaching the exacting targets set by the Government and new methods have removed many of the bottlenecks which earlier were responsible for blockages in the production line. These factors, plus the continued sacrifices which the home consumer has been called upon to make, and the easing of world buying pressure, enable sellers to quote firm delivery dates, although the time has not yet arrived when every customer's full requirement can be met.

Some criticism has been made of British prices, a subject to which manufacturers are now giving prime consideration, but the complex difficulties arising out of the higher production costs cannot be solved overnight. During and immediately after the war the main effort was concentrated on supplies, and as these problems are being solved new approaches are being made to the question of prices.

The first results of these efforts will be observed by overseas buyers who tour the 120,000 square feet of floor space which the textile section has been allocated to house the stands showing a complete range of cottons, woollens and worsteds, rayons, silks and Northern Ireland's linens, divided into piecegoods, furnishing fabrics, domestic and decorative textiles, outerwear, underwear, hosiery, knitwear, furs and hats.

Woollens Section

The woollens section will specially emphasise lighter weight cloths of every description, from dress crepes to worsted suitings. In reply to the overseas requests manufacturers have devoted their energies to lowering the weight to the minimum which will permit retention of the material's inherent characteristics: for instance, a dress tweed weighing little over 6oz. and a Donegal effect tweed from Ulster weighing 7oz single width. Scottish tweeds follow a similar trend, as will be shown in 11/12oz. categories bearing a fine, soft finish in brighter colouring than the more sombre tones usually associated with this product in the past. A further element in the weight-reducing tendency is the successful alliance of nylon and wool in numerous standard materials.

New printing processes have

been evolved to reproduce fine detail in seemingly unlimited colours for dress woollens and a notable development in printing spheres is the application of some of these methods to furnishing fabrics. In one instance a medium previously confined to dress goods has been so adapted that its operation is equally successful on furnishings, be they produced from natural or synthetic fibres with rough or pile surfaces. Its conception is similar to hand block printing, but it has the advantage of being capable of incorporation into a rotary process for speed and economy on short runs. The limitless colour reproductions can be guaranteed exclusive.

The spearhead of Britain's export drive, cotton, comes to the 1949 BIF in new and beautiful forms. The standard of design was never so high as it is today and the results can be judged no less in the ranges of humble cambrics or haincords than in top-quality poplins and gallicolths. Colourings reveal a feeling for simpler and more subtle combinations, while in the design itself the trend is towards the etched or drawn effect that demands the highest class of penmanship.

Perhaps no member of the cotton family has aroused such interest in world fashion circles as the two-fold poplin, a cloth for long recognised to be the finest shirting produced. As a high-fashion fabric it has received the enthusiastic endorsement of the London couture and now in many moods of design, from small floral motifs to sprawling jungle effects in exotic hues, is expected to gain fresh laurels overseas.

Lancashire designers provide with equal facility large colour-splashed printed reproductions of palm trees, mermaids, circus scenes or Picasso creations in the same cloth for men's beach wear, or neat geometrical and Paisley motifs for smoking jackets or dressing gowns. Another male favourite, the Jacquard woven poplin, is now back in active production.

Set with a 1948 target figure 245 per cent. over 1939 levels the British rayon industry answers not only the challenge of quantity but of quality, too, with luxurious fabrics that recently created a significant impression on the London couture, where their Continental counterparts have long held a monopoly.

Stripes make a particular appeal in the newest poult ranges, from three or four-inch wide effects in such tone combinations as grey and emerald-green, grey and soft pink, to narrow affairs in sombre blacks and navys partnered by balancing satin in sharp metallic shades.

Mass Crepes

Mass crepes continue to hold their popularity and 1949 will see them in comprehensive colour ranges, accenting the brighter pastels and smoky neutrals; extremely sheer, lightweight versions are scheduled for promotion along with ribbed surface cloths and thicker, semi-boucle types. That favoured print, the navy and white, is due for a new lease of life in all qualities, with small, well spaced designs inspired by the Persian, Egyptian, Indian and Assyrian dynasties well to the fore. Certain mouse cloth carry screen-printed motifs that provide a kaleidoscope of colour with browns, purples, yellows, light blues, gaily mixing together.

Of special appeal to the overseas buyer will be the printed rayon and wool mixtures, long staple and continuous filament crepes in woven tartan designs and piece-dyed linen and rayon blends.

Development In Plastics Production

The Plastics Section at the British Industries Fair this year will group the plastics material manufacturers together, followed by the trade moulders and fabricators, including extruders, and then the moulders and fabricators of proprietary articles. During the past year, the supply position has eased and a number of plastic materials is in freer supply, though some are still somewhat restricted.

There has been considerable development in the use of urea and phenolic resins for core binding in foundry work. While this development arose owing to the short supply of natural oil formerly used, these plastic resins have proved so successful that there is now likely to be a permanent demand from the foundry industry.

A number of new developments in the application of thermoplastic materials will be on show. Packaging is of growing importance, and the plastics industry is constantly endeavouring to provide improved products for this purpose. The latest is polythene-coated paper. This high resistance of polythene to water vapour, chemicals, oils and solvents makes this new packaging material—which is quite flexible—particularly suitable for use in the food industry, and indeed for the household sandwich pack for picnic or factory use.

There has been a considerable development in the production of ridged polyvinyl chloride—"p.v.c." A range of valves and pipes and other products will be on show. It has good tensile strength, but is highly resistant to acid, so that these corrosion-resistant products will receive a hearty welcome from some harassed engineers. The same material in slightly plasticized form can be used for lining tanks of various kinds.

Resistant Material

The extremely resistant material, polytetrafluoro-ethylene, will be on show. Its high moisture resistance and first-class electrical properties will ensure a steady demand from the electrical industry.

Decorative laminated and cellular materials will be on show in a variety of colours and uses. The shipbuilding industry—only one of a number of industries—would be hard put to it without these valuable constructional plastics products.

It must again be emphasised that the plastics industry provides materials and products for other industries to use. While plastics have been used in the textile industry, both for processing the fabrics and for the machinery used, there is a growing demand for well-planned bobbins and a number of accessories which are now being moulded in phenolic material where they were previously made in wood. The achievements of the British motor industry have been greatly helped by the plastics industry, whether by the provision of flooring materials, upholstery, window frames, wiring, or dashboards.

Further progress has been made in the production of components, including radio and television cabinets and cases for portable receivers. Many of these are injection moulded.

Production of polythene piping for use in the brewing and food industries was reported last year. This year, welded acrylic tubes from 1/4 in. to 30 in. outside diameter will be shown. This new technique will open up a wide range of new uses, from small containers to lighting fittings.

While a variety of plastics sanitary fittings have been made for years past, this year there will be shown plastic tiles, which are gaining in popularity.

Many other examples of new and improved industrial uses in plastics will be shown at the Fair, but to end on a homey note—why be bothered with chipped or broken cups? Acrylic tableware is not only colourfast and delightful to use, but it bounces, too!

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Starting operations in the year 1884 with a modest capital of \$150,000, the general excellence of the ropes which the Company produce created a demand which has enabled the management to capitalise an additional \$450,000 from the Reserve Fund, and to issue a further 50,000 shares, at par, together with 90,000 Bonus shares at \$10 each during 1924. This brought the capital of the Company up to \$2,000,000.

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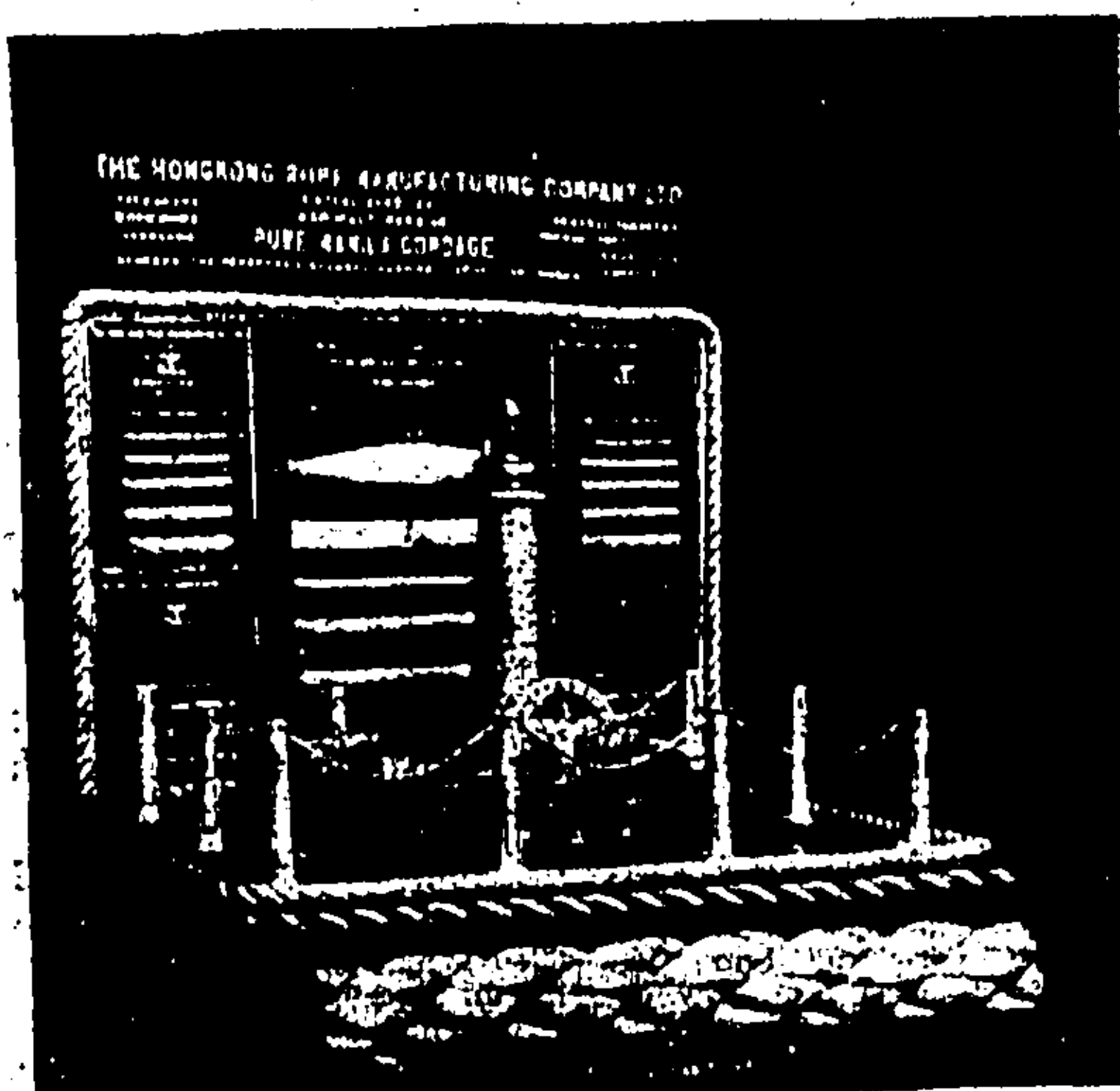
Marine Surveyor and four strand from 1 1/2" circ. upwards, and also possess special machinery for making oil drilling cables of any size up to 3,000 feet in length.

A visit to the Hong Kong Rope Factory shows a vast store room with a large supply of hemp which is obtained direct from the hemp areas of the Philippines. To the lay mind, hemp has no variation in quality, but the expert can clearly see the different grades of hemp as a wool-classer grades wool, according to strength, colour and durability.

The hemp is taken in bales to the preparing department where the hemp is passed through a number of machines with fast-moving chains covered with steel

pins which comb the fibre and makes it parallel.

After passing through the preparing machines, the hemp is packed into cans, then taken to the spinning machines where it is spun into yarn and automatically wound on bobbins. The bobbins of yarn are taken to the stranding machines where the yarn is formed into strands and automatically wound on to spools. The spools of strand are then placed in the rope laying machines, and while the three or four strand spools are revolving, the machines are twisting the strands together into three or four strand ropes. The finished products are then wound into coils and covered with hessian, ready for shipment, or storage in the Rope Godown.



The Hong Kong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited, is also displaying its products at the B.I.F. This is what its exhibit looks like. The exhibit has been made up of every type and quality of rope made by the company.

Leading Dyers

The Yuen Hing weaving and dyeing factory is one of Hong Kong's leading dyers. Its factory is equipped with electrically driven machines.

The factory was established in 1920 with a capital of HK\$300,000. When Hong Kong was occupied by the Japanese in 1941, the factory was compelled to cease operation.

Later during the occupation it was demolished to give way to

the extension of the Kai Tak airfield by the Japanese.

The factory's primary business is the dyeing of cotton cloth and drills. Their four well known trade marks are "Double Happiness" and "Globe," "Victory," "Kwei Fei" and "Beauty." The factory uses Caledon dyes manufactured by the Imperial Chemical Industries.

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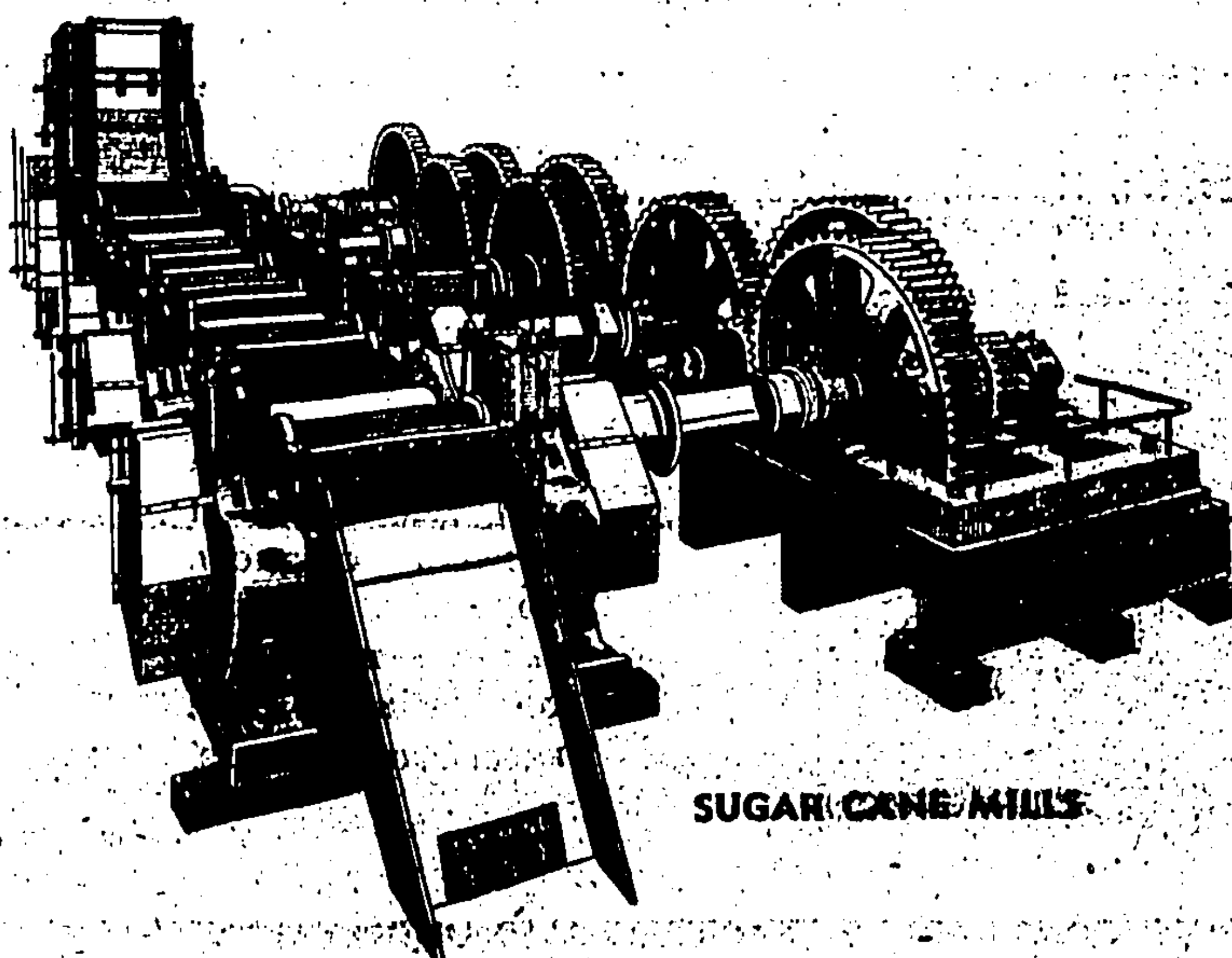
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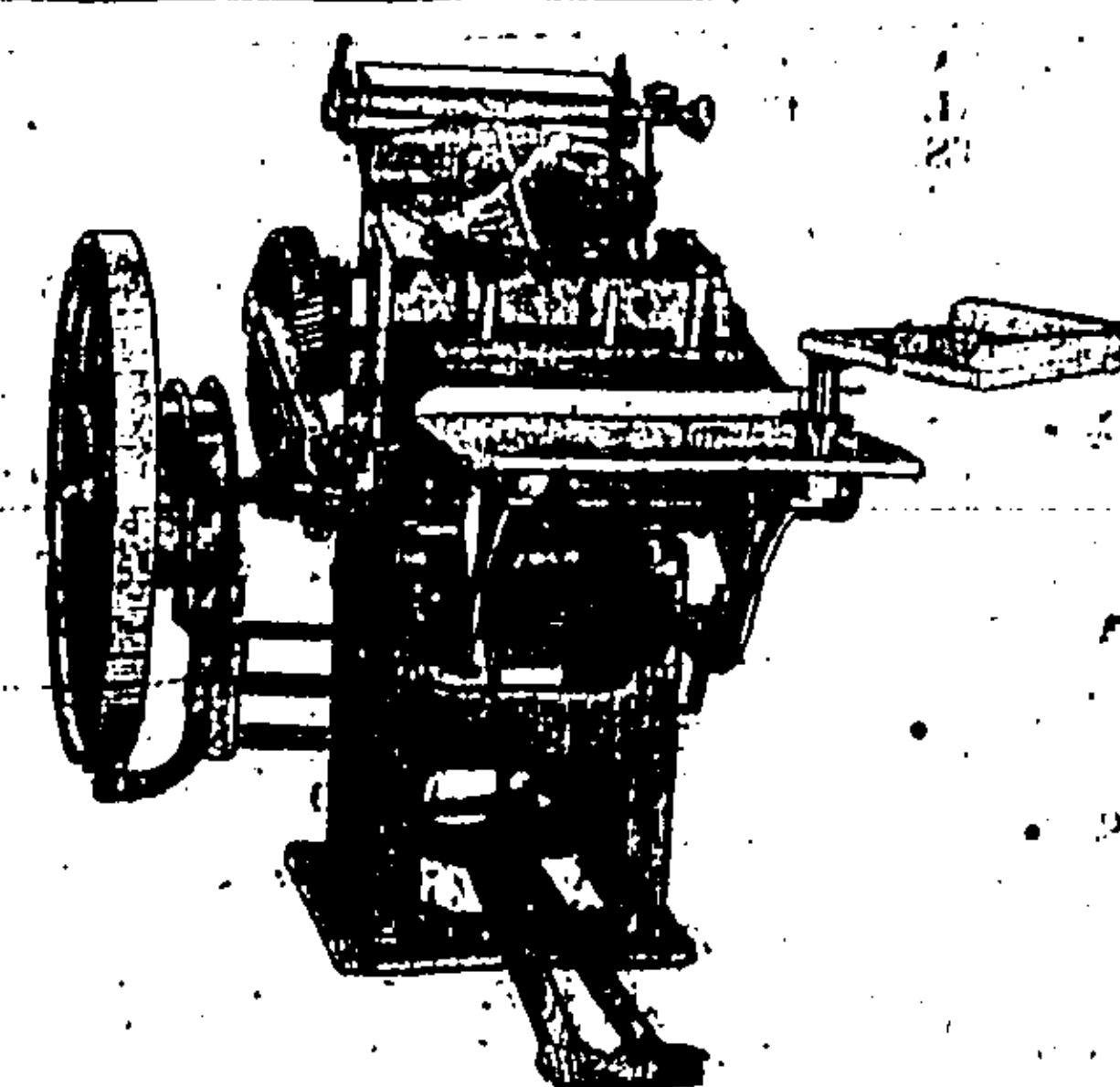
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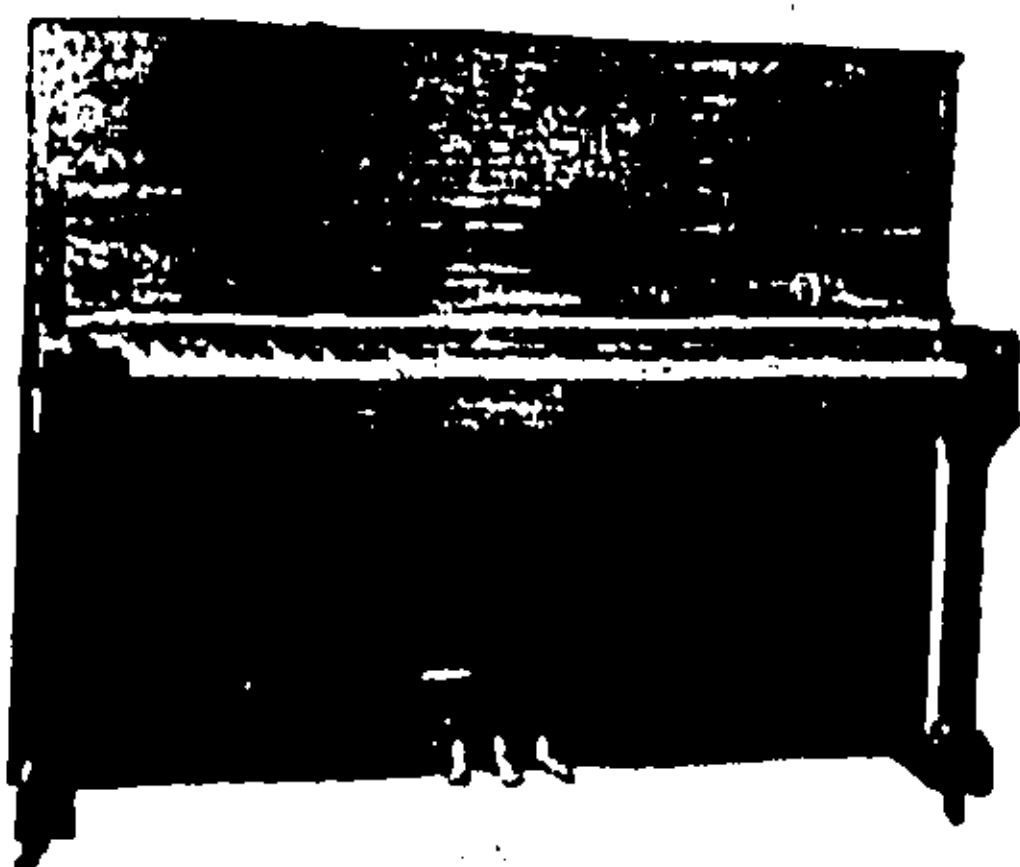
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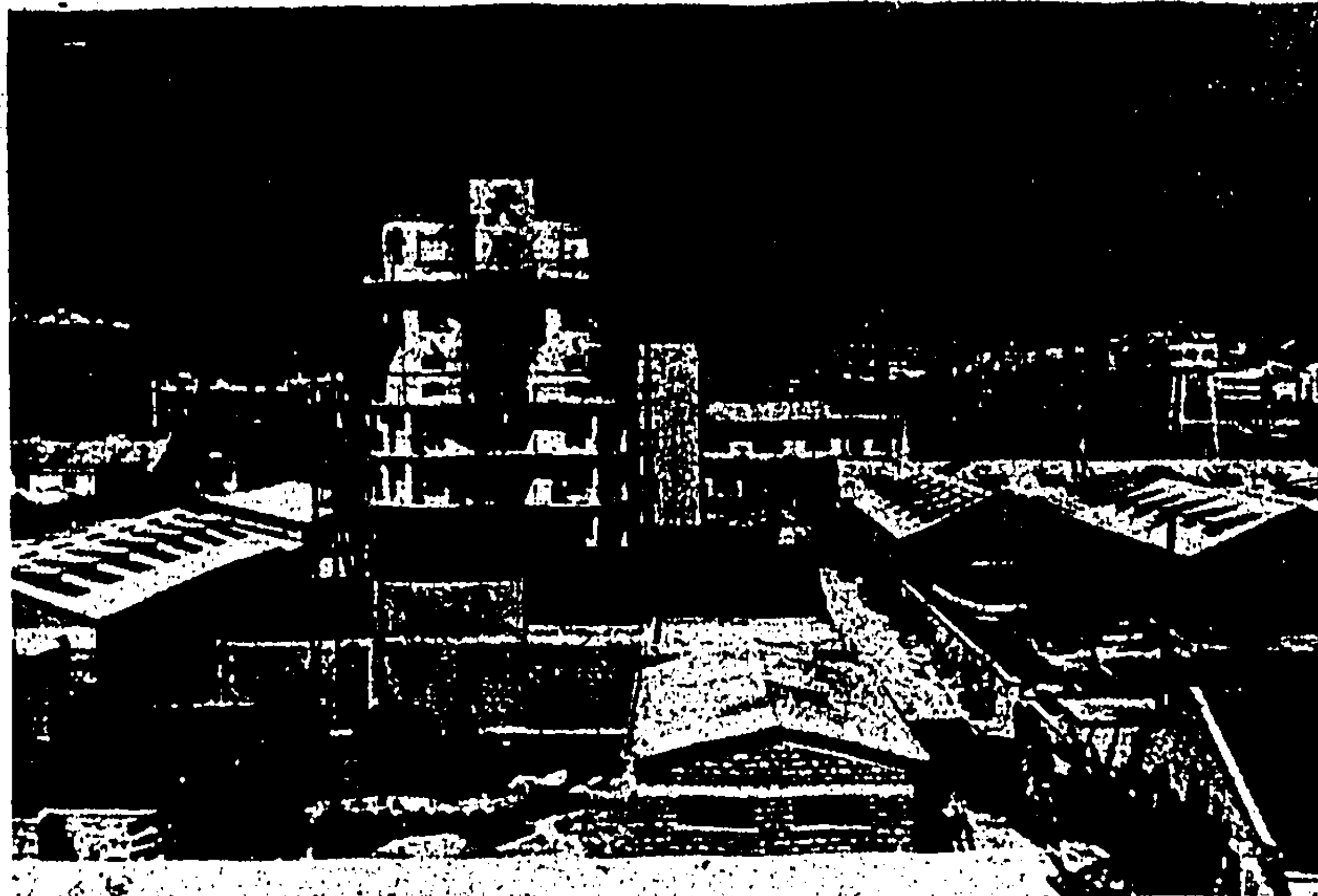
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Products of the Tien-Chu-Ve-Tsin Chemical Industries, Limited, which has a plant in the Colony besides those in Shanghai and Chungking, will go on display in the Hong Kong Stall at the forthcoming British Industries Fair in England this coming May.

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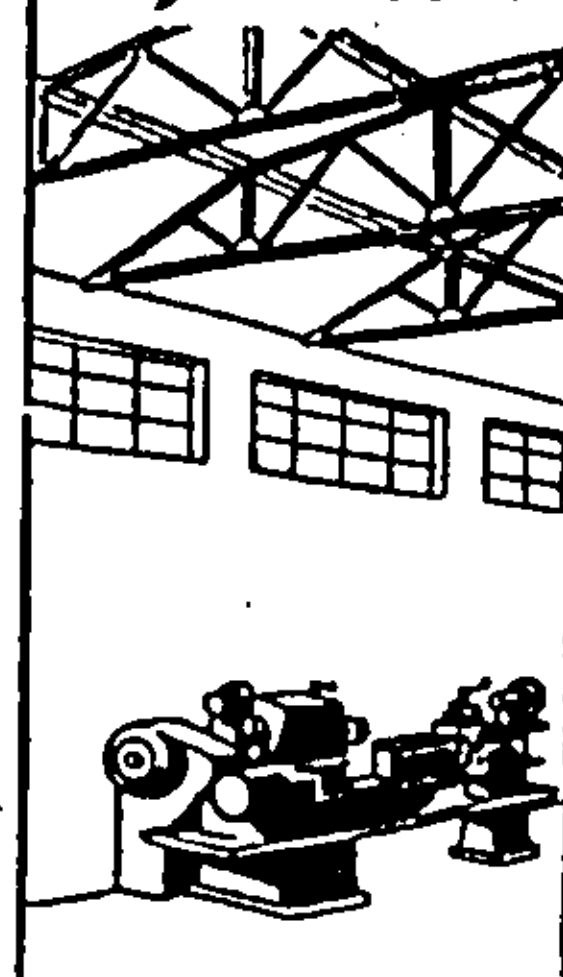
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British Utility Furniture

As in the past two years, the furniture trade section of the British Industries Fair 1949 will occupy a space only one-tenth of that which it had before the war, when it was the largest exhibit at Earls Court.

Once again the furniture display will be designed exclusively for the export buyer, who will make his selection of furniture and bedding from ranges of workmanship and price most of which—though not all—are still beyond the legal reach of the home consumer.

At the time of going to press few indications are available of what is likely to be shown in the section. Before considering these, note should be taken of two important developments which together provide an encouraging background to the 1949 furniture exhibit.

First, in spite of the difficulties encountered in 1948 by the furniture industry both at home and abroad, the first target set for furniture exports a rate of £60,000 each month by the end of 1948—has been handsomely exceeded in the first 10 months of the year. The actual export total of £885,000 to October 31 may not appear impressive when seen against the figures of the country's total trade. The true significance of the figure, however, lies in the evidence it provides of the industry's activity in finding means of overcoming the formidable post-war obstacles to export development. These include the absolute closure of some formerly important markets, high tariff duties in others, the high and increasing cost of freight and, in the case of fine furniture, the difficulty of bringing down costs in the absence of any home market for furniture of this class.

Freedom of Design

The second main feature of the background is the restoration of freedom of design to the manufacturer of utility furniture, which represents the great bulk of the industry's production. It is true that utility furniture does not enter into export, but the return of freedom is bound to release the inventiveness of manufacturers

and designers who, for the past six years, have had to follow not the guiding light of their own ideas but that of the Government's utility specifications. It is too early to see what will be the effects of this long-awaited release, but effects there are bound to be on construction and design, quality and price, and it is inconceivable that such effects should not react upon the industry's export potential.

When the Government are able to go further and to restore some of the freedom of the home market to makers of fine furniture as well as to those of the new utility, the export potentialities of the industry will be much further increased. In the meantime it is safe to assume that, encouraged by past export success and keyed up to fresh efforts by the transformation of the utility scheme, furniture manufacturers will approach the export markets of 1949 with added zest.

U.S. Market

So far as one traditional element of British furniture exports is concerned—that of fine reproduction furniture—the organisation of the export drive, not the products themselves, will be affected. To the reproduction specialists, as to those who produce first-grade upholstered furniture, the United States market offers the biggest opportunities, widened by the reduction of the import duty to 12½ per cent ad valorem.

A London manufacturer of English period furniture plans to make a special show of fine reproduction pieces on the lines associated with the names of Sheraton, Adam, and Chippendale, produced specially to meet the needs of the "mahogany era" which holds firm in the United States. A Lancashire firm, famous for its reproductions, will show two- and three-pedestal Hopewell dining tables which find a regular sale in those parts of America where the highest quality craftsmanship, combined with the English tradition, retain their appeal. One Scottish export

house, known for its furnishing of famous liners, has demonstrated its faith in the possibilities of the American market by opening its own New York office and showroom.

Many other firms have been exploring the American market, the chief obstacle to which is the combined effect of freight and packing costs on selling prices. At least two exporters at the Fair have been working to reduce this obstacle by ingenuity of design. One well-known bedding manufacturer is introducing at the BIF what the Americans call a "bed spring" of a type specially made to compete with the American non-upholstered base spring mattress. This design finds favour in all export markets, partly because the construction of its mesh prevents stretching or sagging, partly because it is comparatively inexpensive, and further because it can be easily knocked down to secure the economies of flat packing.

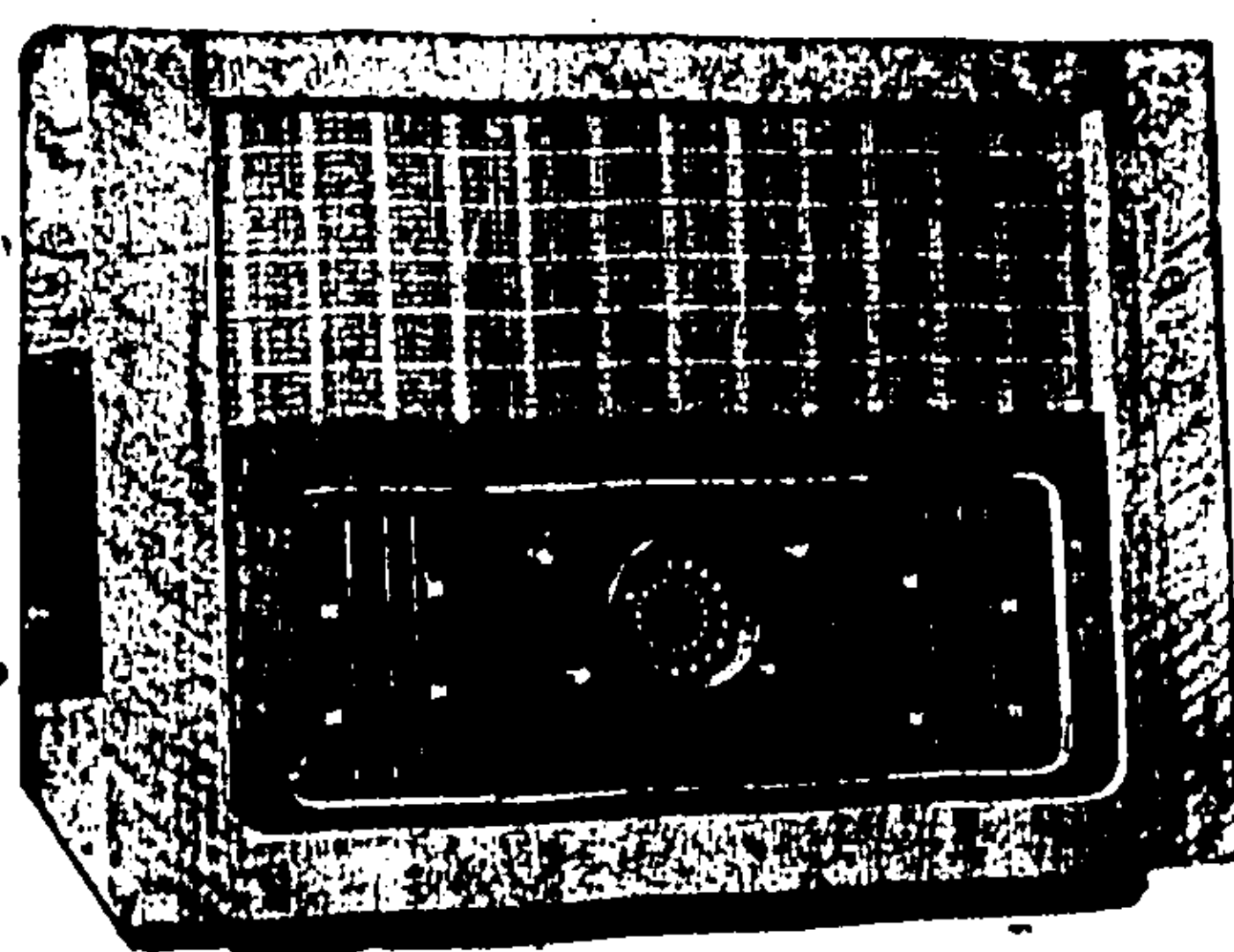
Packing Method

Similarly, a pioneer firm in the making of woven fibre furniture has devised a special packing method which enables four upholstered chairs to be crated in practically the same space as that required for a single chair. The consequent economies in freight, allied to high quality production and elegance of design, is already contributing to the success of this furniture in many world markets.

These few indications show the lively interest which is carrying English furniture, both traditional and modern, to all the open markets of the world. Other producing countries are also becoming increasingly active in those markets and their competition will call for fresh endeavour on the part of the British industry. What the BIF 1949 will undoubtedly demonstrate is that this challenge is being met and that in craftsmanship and design British furniture maintains its old reputation for "quality first" and thus makes its own contribution to the restoration of the country's balance of trade.

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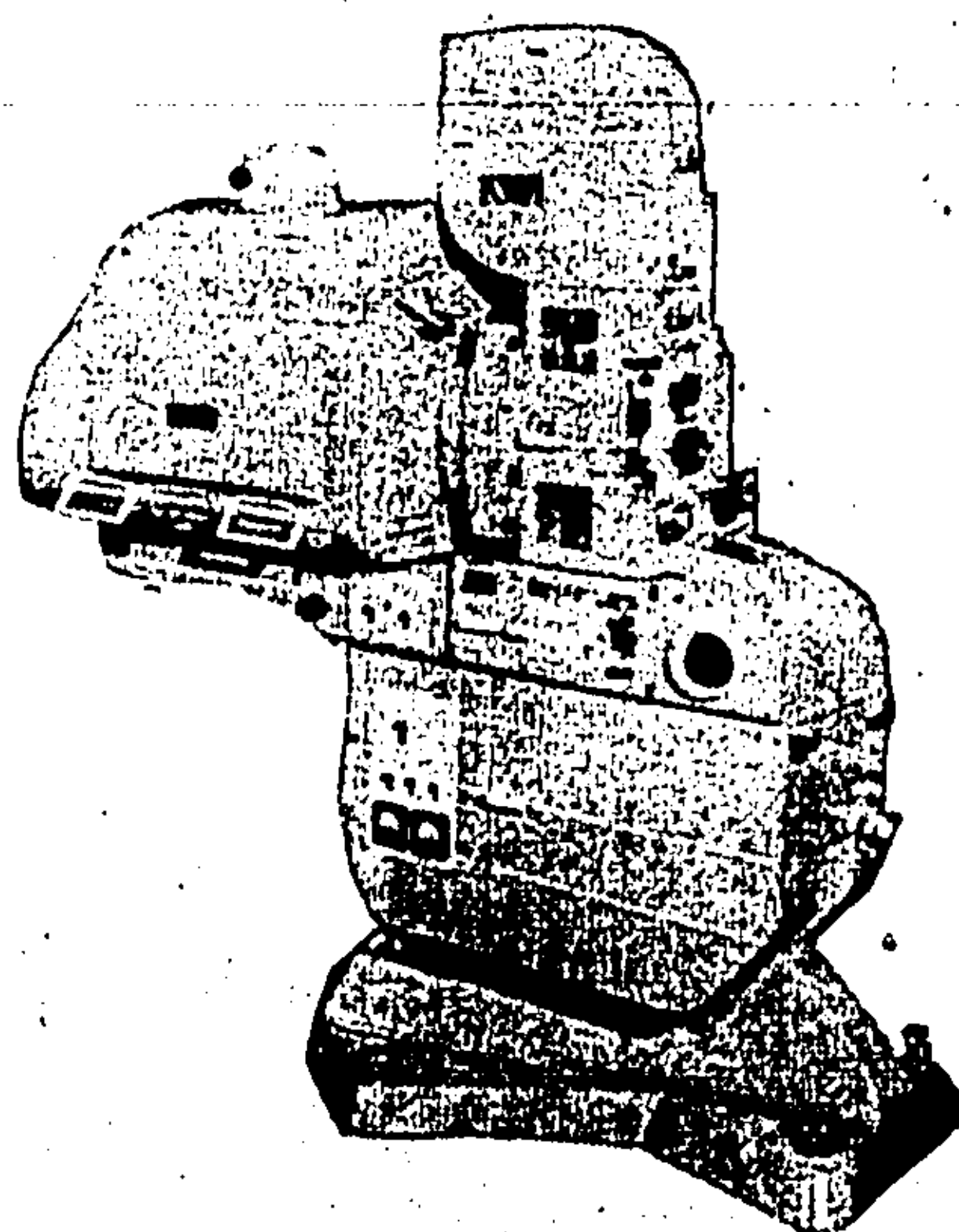
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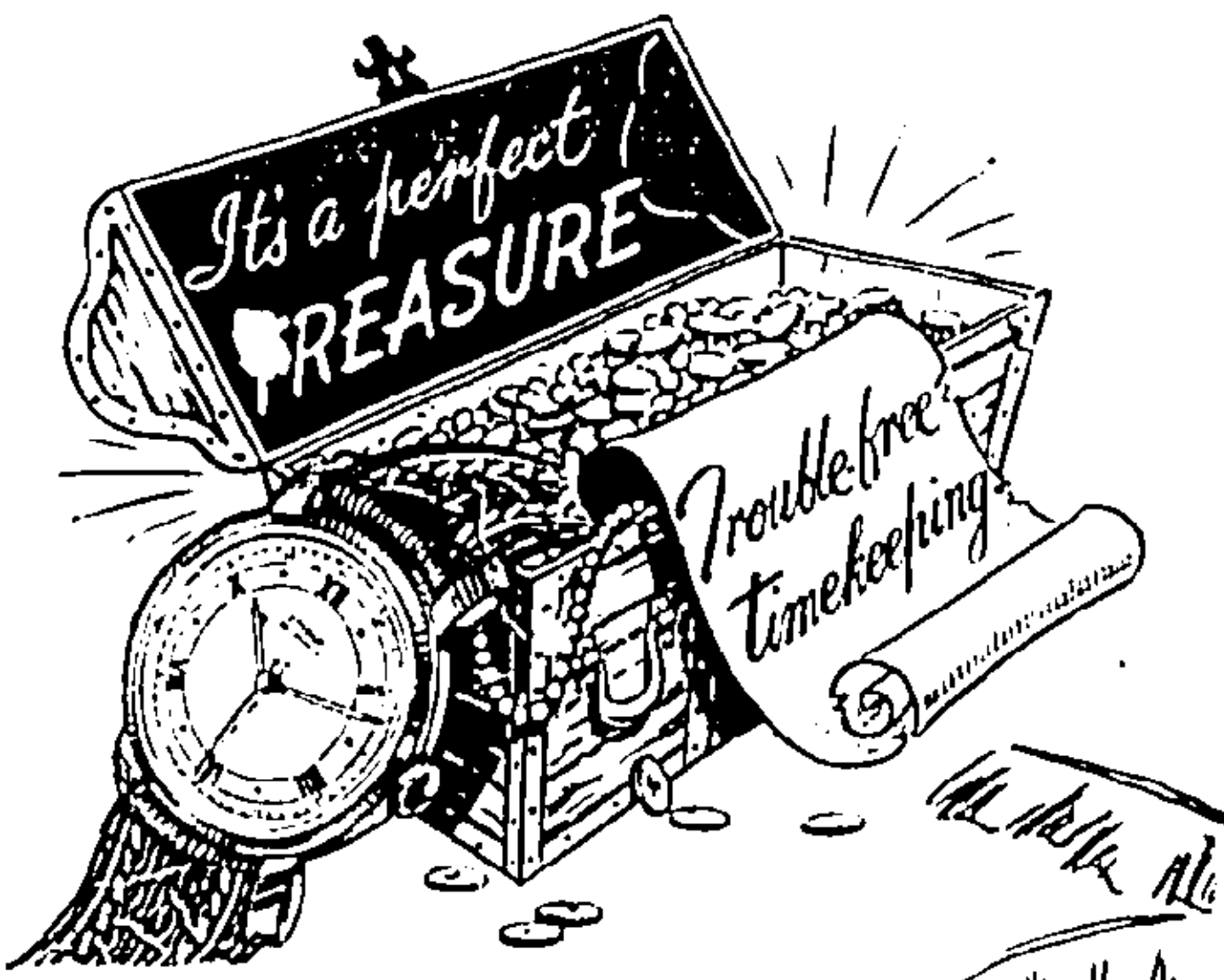
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Further Breaking-Up Of German Cartels Dangerous

General Clay's Defence

Frankfurt, April 30.

The breaking-up of German industrial cartels and trusts has reached a point where further changes in these enterprises would result in their inability to compete in the world markets, where Germany must compete in order to survive, the American Military Governor General Lucius D. Clay, said in a cable to the United States Army Department, released here today.

The cable, dated April 24, constituted General Clay's defence against criticism of the United States de-cartellisation policy in Germany which was contained in the report of the "Ferguson Mission," which toured Germany a few months ago on the instructions of the Secretary of the Army, Mr. Kenneth Royall.

Claiming that the de-concentration of economic power has been accomplished in Germany on a scale without parallel, General Clay gave as instances:

1.—The dissolution of Germany's "Big Six" banks.

2.—The breaking-up of the IG Farben Chemical trust into a large number of separate enterprises administered by trustees, of which 50 alone were in the American Zone. The resale of these firms to new owners had, so far, been impracticable owing to the shortage of capital. General Clay added:

Ruhr Combines

3.—The breaking-up of 20 heavy metal combines, chiefly in the Ruhr, and their regrouping under trustees into smaller units.

4.—The dissolution by the Military Government of 1,100 cartel arrangements.

General Clay disclosed that "de-concentration" actions were still going on in the United States Zone against the Robert Bosch engineering combine, the Degussa group of chemical factories, the Metallgesellschaft metal trading concern, and the match monopoly.

General Clay pointed to the difference in the general situation of the German industry now as against the pre-war days, when the power of the combines was at their peak.

"While my personal view is that we shall have accomplished our purpose when we have completed the programme now underway," he said, "I would suggest that the report of the Ferguson Committee be transmitted to the State Department for its consideration, so that it may instruct the Military Governor or the High Commissioner of any further steps that it desires to be taken in this field."

—Reuter.

Stanley's Wife On The Continent

Paris, April 30.

Mrs. Sidney Stanley, wife of the central figure in the recent British Government corruption investigation, arrived in Paris yesterday by air from London.

Her husband, who was under orders to make daily reports to the police, fled England mysteriously several weeks ago. His present whereabouts are unknown.

The Israeli Government, however, has announced that it has decided to issue him a visa.

Mrs. Stanley travelled yesterday under the name "Mrs. Russell." Her maiden name was Russell. It was first reported that she was accompanied by her mother, but it was learned later that this was untrue.

Mrs. Stanley is staying at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, a small but luxurious hotel off Avenue George Fifth. She refused to see reporters or to accept telephone calls.

Reporters who saw her when she left the plane at Le Bourget airport said that she

desired to answer all questions and would give no hint as to the present whereabouts of her husband.

The Israeli Legation in Paris said that it has no information about Stanley.—Associated Press.

REDS CALL OFF STRIKE IN ITALY

Rome, April 30.

Communist labour officials today called a nationwide strike of Italy's 2,000,000 farm workers for next week. No exact time was set for the walkout, which was called to enforce demands for higher wages and contracts.

The chemical industry union announced it would strike on Tuesday unless its wage demands are granted.—United Press.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Fifth Race Meeting,

SATURDAY, 7th MAY, 1949.

There are ten races. The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through Numbers (10 Races—\$20) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, also tickets for the special Cash Sweep on the last race, as well as those for the "Lantau Handicap" to be run at the 6th Race Meeting on 21st May 1949. Tickets in the Special Cash Sweep on the last race and those for the "Lantau Handicap" may be purchased also at the club's Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member, to be responsible for all bills etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurers' Comptroller's Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' hands.

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Two To Die For Attempt To Kill Shah

Teheran, April 30.

Two men were today sentenced to death and seven others to imprisonment—for life—for participation in the unsuccessful attempt on the life of the Shah of Persia on February 4. A woman was released.

The men sentenced to death by court-martial were Abdullah Argani and Hussain Farajollah, friends of the Shah's attacker, Rai 20, who died in hospital from injuries inflicted by the crowd after he had shot at the Shah.

Four others were sentenced to life imprisonment, two to three years and six months hard labour and a woman to five years' correctional imprisonment. All can appeal to the High Court against their sentence. Fakhr Rai's wife was released.—Reuter.

Nehru Spends Day With Mountbattens

Romsey, Hampshire, April 30.

Pandit Nehru, Indian Prime Minister, was spending the day at Romsey, Hampshire, home of the Earl and Countess Mountbatten, spent a sunny morning walking around the estate with his host and hostess.

Though he did not arrive from London until the small hours of the morning, Mr. Nehru rose early. He looked extremely well and fit. He has not yet been outside the estate, but the inhabitants of Romsey, an ancient market town, are hoping to see him before he leaves for London, the continent and home.

Also living at Broadlands at present are Lord Mountbatten's mother, the Marchioness of Milford Haven, her daughter, Lady Catherine, and Lady Pamela Mountbatten and Lord Bra-

ne. Mr. Nehru's sister, Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, India's new ambassador to the United States, was expected here during the weekend.—Reuter.

Dissenting Voice In India

Bihar, April 29.

Mr. Jaiprakash Nagrain, Indian Socialist leader, said here today that the London Commonwealth Premier's agreement was a national blunder and Indian Socialist Party will take the first opportunity of undoing it.

Mr. Nagrain, who is General Secretary of the Party, has no doubt that India's international position as an independent sovereign state preserving its neutrality as between the two-Power blocs has greatly suffered.

"The Socialist Party," he said, "will never agree to this kind of association with a group of nations with whom we have very little in common and with some of whom, such as South Africa, we have been in serious conflict."

He described the agreement as a triumph for British diplomacy and not for India's Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru.—Reuter.

Pass The Sugar Please...



Said Tate and Lyle, world's greatest sugar refiners. But the dockers said "No." They wanted the sugar in bags. Tate and Lyle's had, for the first time, imported it loose. They say importing loose sugar will reduce sugar prices by 30 shillings a ton, thus reducing the subsidy. Photo shows seven tons of loose sugar cascading from a grab into the hold of a lighter as the Baron Haly is unloaded in loose sugar experiments at Dagenham, Essex. AP Photo.

U.S. Motion Pictures' Answer To Television

(By Ralph Dighton)

Hollywood, May 1.

The American motion picture industry's answer to television is not only better movies, but a tremendous spurt in technicolor improvements, says the MGM director, Mr. Roy Rowland.

Mr. Rowland, long interested in the mechanical phases of movie production, says Hollywood is close to completion of many secret weapons in its battle for American entertainment dollars.

"Within a year the American public will be treated to vast improvements in motion picture presentation," he says.

"A new magnetic sound film which cuts raw stock production costs in half and at the same time improves sound reproduction is getting its first trial in Roy Del Ruth's 'Red Light'."

He said he could disclose no further details until after the movie has been released.

"In France," Mr. Rowland said, "The Reux Brothers have perfected—and it will be seen on American screens before long—a new colour process which does not require colour film. I don't understand it completely myself, but through some sort of optical wizardry, black and white film is used and it comes out in colour."

Mr. Rowland said it was hard to determine how accurate are current claims advanced by inventors of three-dimensional movie processes.

Expresses Confidence

"But no matter how extravagant some of these claims may seem, there is a tremendous market waiting and I am confident that before long one or more of these processes will reach America's theatres," he said.

"Movies will absorb many of television's techniques. Movie-

screen-size television images have already been accomplished. The time may come when movie theatres will have their own programmes 'piped in' by television hook-ups, and it will all be in the hands of the motion picture industry.

"However, the more important reaction of television's inroads on screen entertainment will be that movies will hit back with various improvements aimed at luring back to the box office the customers who now stay home to watch their television receivers."

"That is the way competitive enterprise works. It is a large part of the secret of American advances in all commercial fields. When the better product hits the market, it wins the business."

"The constant striving for improvements goes on in any American business, but under the lash of new competition progress always accelerates."

Mr. Rowland is currently directing "Scene of the Crime" at MGM.—Associated Press.

Seamen Gets Award For Rescue Try

Southampton, April 30.

A Canadian seaman, one of the striking crew members of the Canadian freighter Seaboard Trader, received an award here today for attempting to rescue a dog at Hull last January.

Stewart Curran, aged 39, of Vancouver, received the White Cross of St. Giles, highest award of the People's Dispensary for sick animals, leading British animal welfare organisation.

His rescue attempt took place at King George Dock, Hull, where a dog was trapped between a Canadian ship and the quay wall.

He released the dog with the help of a policeman by levering away the ship with a baulk of timber. He was then lowered on a rope, but his fingers were cold and he slipped and fell into the icy water. The dog was drowned.—Reuter.

REHABILITATION FOR JAP ZOOS

Tokyo, April 30.

Ueno Zoo, Tokyo, is planning to ship one Manchurian crane, two Mandarin ducks, two Japanese prawns, four giant salamanders, two banggers and two Japanese monkeys to the United States in return for two "bouncing" young American coys, according to the Japanese-owned and edited English-language Nippon Times today.

The newspaper quoted Tadami Koga, Director of Ueno Zoo and a member of the International Zoological Society, in announcing this plan and expressing the conviction that "we can rehabilitate our zoos in Japan with the kind aid of American zoos."—United Press.

Reformed Princess Margaret

London, May 1.

Princess Margaret, who not so long ago caused more than a few raised eyebrows with her gay nightclubbing spree while escorted by the handsomest young bachelors in the British Empire, is too busy now for romance.

The Princess often called the world's most eligible princess, has not been seen with a boy friend for weeks.

She used to lead the conga line at the Savern Club 400 but lately Princess Margaret has been bustling about London visiting exhibitions, touring housing developments, and attending sessions of Parliament.

She used to listen to waltzes at fashionable private balls, but now the Princess gives an attentive ear to the baritone voices of judges and lawyers as she studies courtroom procedure.

It's all part of the 18-year-old beauty's training for state duties, and the king and queen apparently feel that business and pleasure don't mix too well.

But there may be more to Margaret's new routine than mere preparation for state duties. Court circles say her rugged schedule has been instituted partly to appease those members of the British press and public who frown on her social gadding.

Recent Editorials

Recent editorials in most of London's papers have left no doubt that Princess Margaret's well-publicized night life does not set a good example for other young ladies in Britain.

Princess Margaret, however, seems to have developed the same zest for her official duties that she had for partying.

After one of her visits to London's East End, an old cockney shook his head and grumbled:

"I don't know why they call 'er frivolous. She's got a lot of sense in 'er head. That one 'as, and anyway, why shouldn't she 'ave a good time? You're only young once, you know."

Meanwhile, her old suitors, the Marquesses of Milford-Haven and Blandford, Lord Porchester and Beaulieu, and the Earl of Dalkeith and Westmorland are seen frequently at parties, night clubs and restaurants, but not with the "reformed" Margaret.—United Press.

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SOUTH EAST ASIA AND ADVANCE OF THE REDS

Bangkok, May 1.

The rich lands of South East Asia, lolling in the eternal summer of the tropics, already are beginning to shiver in the first gusts of the cold winds of Communism blowing from the North.

The Chinese Communists are driving down to Canton and there's hardly a foreign observer, a Chinese merchant or a persistent taxi driver who doesn't ask: What of tomorrow for already turbulent French Indo-China, Burma, Siam and Malaya?

Today's turmoil in these picturesque, faraway lands is considered by virtually everyone as but the forerunner of the "hotting up" days when all China falls.

There are 65,000,000 residents in the 800,000 or so square miles of South East Asia and very few of them, indeed, want Communism. Yet, all are caught in the fever of the history-making changes occurring in Asia and all seem to feel that the future will bring a new pattern of existence.

Not that they expect these countries to go Communist overnight. The view often expressed in circles where the events of tomorrow must be given considerable thought today is that the Third World War has long been underway in Asia, but is being fought with entirely new methods. Instead of open attacks by one nation on another, the attacked nation is struck from within by foreign-inspired revolution. These

revolts take varied shapes, ranging from terrorist guerrilla raids and depredations, to full-scale civil war with huge armies in the field.

How does this apply and what does it portend for the countries of South East Asia?

French Indo-China has been rent by civil war in the present in the semi-guerrilla stage - for several years. The forces of Communism, led by Ho Chi Minh, control most of the territory of the three Vietnamese provinces Tonkin in the North, Annam in the centre and Cochinchina in the South.

The French military and its sponsored Central Provisional Government of Vietnam control the cities.

From the military point of view both sides admit a stalemate. But what will happen when the Chinese Communists are on the Northern Indo-China border?

Chinese Irregulars

Already, the French charge that Chinese irregulars are filtering across the border to join Ho Chi Minh in fighting the French.

The French hope the return of the former emperor of Annam, Bao Dai, to Vietnam may rally enough of Ho Chi Minh's Nationalist patriot to the provisional Government to offset the Vietnamese Communist and future strength. In the eyes of most observers the hope is but a hope.

But, then, most veteran on-lookers to the Indo-Chinese tragedy always point to the fact that Ho Chi Minh is a Vietnamese patriot and say he is more Vietnamese than Communist.

That observation, of course, is the one most often expressed by old China hands. They say the Chinese Communists are more Chinese than Communist even though they acknowledge Moscow influence on Mao Tse-tung's Communist government.

Should Indo-China go the way of China, the next question mark is Siam.

Some seriously think the Communists have any great strength now in Siam. The Siam people generally have no interest in politics. They have a rich country and few stars, even though the living standard is high by Western standards.

Yet, Siam is noted in recent history as a malleable land and its governments are considered quick to bend with the wind. In the last war it quickly capitulated to the Japanese and collaborated. It declared war on the United States but the United States declined to recognize a state of war existed. So, when the Japanese were defeated, Siam cancelled its war declaration.

Tied To China

Incidentally, of Siam's 17,500,000 residents, some 5,000,000 are Chinese with ties to their homeland. They are organized into societies and on certain holidays display excellently organized and snappy parades.

It is doubted by most that Siam would need much more than its customary palace revolution to bring about a government favourable to the Communist philosophy.

As for Burma, little can be said. That tortured land is split five or more ways with varied armies fighting in anarchy anarchy.

But, recently there have been reports the strong tribal Karens are considering joining forces with the White Flag Communists (the Moscow brand). Whether they'll be strong enough to handle the other fighting groups that hold their own battle lines is something else again.

Malaya is now the scene of guerilla tactics by Chinese Communists. The British military seem to be getting the upper hand these days in the jungle fighting. The opportunity for stronger Communist action can only come about, it is believed, if Communist irregulars can reach Malaya over the Siamese border.

Today, Siam is co-operating with the British in fighting the Communists along its Southern border. The British believe Siam's Premier, Phibun Songkran's government is sincerely eager to keep on the Western Democracy's side. But Marshal Sangkran had some rocky moments last week in February when the navy fought the army and had the support of a former Premier.

Singapore, itself, although 85 per cent Chinese in population, is calm. There is no terrorism there.

There is no timetable for forthcoming events. Most Western observers believe firm action can hold back Communism here as it has in Europe. But, they seem certain that rough weather and protracted struggle is just around the corner.—Associated Press.

Radio Iodine For Cancer Treatment

London, April 30. British radio iodine, supplied by the Government's atomic station at Harwell, Berkshire, has been used therapeutically for the first time, in response to a hospital SOS. Previous radio iodine has been obtained from the United States.

The Royal Cancer Hospital have telephoned the centre on Thursday, asking for 50 milligrams of radio iodine for the treatment on Friday of a girl suffering from cancer of the thyroid gland.

It was sent and administered, but the hospital states that it is too early to forecast results.

The production of such large quantities of radio iodine has only been possible since the large pile started up at Harwell. All deliveries from the United States have had to be by air because of the short life of the material.—Reuter.

Answer To Nannie's Prayer



This enormous pram, wheeled by Miss Van Geuns, Directress of a Rotterdam Salvation Army Children's Home, would answer the prayers of many nursemaids as they struggle through their local parks with two infants in the pram and half a dozen more scampering round them. It can comfortably carry 12 little nippers. Miss Geuns invented the pram. Associated Press Photo.

Insurgents Take Over Railway

Rangoon, April 30. Insurgents of the "White Band" People's Volunteer Organisation have taken control of the Central Burma railway town of Yamethin, 100 miles North of the Karen stronghold of Toungoo, a Burmese Government communiqué stated tonight.

The communiqué said a Government column from Meiktila, the North Burma Army headquarters, was driving southwards towards Yamethin, where the situation was reported to be confused.

The communiqué added that, according to reliable reports however, the White Band PVOs were ready to hand over the town to the Government forces.

Fifty Karens were killed and one armoured car was captured in a battle in the Pegu sector. In the Tassadarin strip of South Eastern Burma, Government troops fought a three-hour battle with White Band PVOs, killing 20 of them. Government reinforcements had been sent to the scene of this battle, the communiqué added.

Burma Army 25-pounders and six-pounders dispersed Karen motorised columns heading towards the Government positions at Daiku, 78 miles North of Rangoon, the Burma Army radio claimed.

Reviewing the two-day battle in Nyaung-U-Daiku sector, where the Karen forces are astride the vital Rangoon-Mandalay railway, the radio said there was hand-to-hand fighting when more than 1,000 Karens attacked two Government strongpoints. Heavy casualties were inflicted on the attackers, the Radio claimed.

It added that fighting had broken out between Karens and Communists in the area with the Karens attacking Communist villages. A second Communist thrust towards the beleaguered Karen stronghold of Insein was smashed by Government artillery 40 miles North West of Rangoon, the Radio claimed.—Reuter.

Radio Karen Denies Burmese Accusations

Rangoon, May 1.

Radio Karen, newly created voice of the Karen people, has denied accusations that the Karens are linked with the Communists in revolt against the Burmese government.

In its first "world broadcast" from inside the Karen stronghold at bomb-shattered Insein, 10 miles to the North of Rangoon, it described charges of a Karen-Communist alliance as a political stunt by the Burmese government to gain world sympathy.

Radio Karen said a "common foe"—the Socialist government of Burma was the one link between the Karens and the Communists. "It added: 'Otherwise our objectives are different.'"

A Karen commentator speaking in English said neither the Karens nor the Communists seek help from one another. He asserted that on no front were the two fighting alongside each other.

The commentator said: "There is no communal quarrel involved in our war. We are fighting aggression in defence of our people. We are fighting for the preservation of the Karen race."

Radio Karen goes on the air daily at 10 a.m. (Burma Time) on the 49-metre band. Broadcasts are in the English languages and, according to the commentator, directed mainly at Foreign Embassies so that they may have a true perspective of the affair between the Karens and the Government of Burma.

In its first broadcast, the radio denied the Karens possess powerful weapons or unlimited arms. It said: "We go out to meet the Socialist government as David went out to meet Goliath 2,500 years ago."

It added: "We are fighting for a righteous cause."

The Karen commentator charged the Burmese government with formulating sinister plans to crush the Karen race.

He declared the original issue of a separate Karen State had receded into the background.

But, he asserted, while the question was still under discussion, the government, backed by

the Burmese press, began a nation-wide propaganda drive to create communal tension between the Burmese and the Karens.

"Newspaper stories daily hammered into the Burmese reading public that the Karens were insurgents, bandits and rapists," he stated.

Meanwhile, said the commentator, the government formed 21 battalions of ill-disciplined levies—the Auxiliary Union Military Police—who were armed with guns and bullets bought in London by the former Foreign Minister Kyaw Nyein, a high-ranking Socialist executive.

The broadcast was reproduced in pamphlet form and distributed among newspaper reporters on the Insein front.

It was published in full by one Burmese-owned English-language daily, "The Burman."

Next day a warrant was prepared against the paper's editor, U Maung Maung Fye.

Maung Maung Fye escaped arrest and imprisonment through the personal intervention of the Information Minister, Tun Pe.

The two had worked together in the Ministry of Information of Dr. Ba Maw during the Japanese regime.

By a directive of the Burmese government, newspapers are forbidden to publish any material likely to encourage insurgents and "bring despondency to the Burmese."

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Warning Against Birth Control

Tokyo, May 1.
The warning that indiscriminate birth control methods under the which he classed conception control could lead to race extermination, was made by a writer in the Tosei News, the weekly publication of the National Catholic Committee of Japan, in another of a series of attacks against the advocates of birth control for Japan.
The editorial, signed by Fr. W. A. Kaschmitter, Director of Tosei News, said that dressing birth control up in fancy language such as planned parenthood cannot detract from the danger involved in the step.

Polish Police Arrest Parish Priest

Warsaw, April 30.
The Polish secret police raided All Saints Church here at dawn one day this week and arrested the parish priest, Father Zygmunt Kaczynski, aged 55, a close confidant of the Polish Prime Minister, Stefan Vishnyski, and former Minister of Education in the emigre Polish government in London. It was learned today.

Kaczynski was arrested for the first time last August when his Catholic Warsaw weekly, Tygodnik Warszawski, was shut down by the secret police. He was released after two weeks of interrogation.
He was believed to belong to a Catholic group advising the Prime Minister to adopt a bolder attitude towards the state policy aimed at weakening the Catholic authority in Poland.
A Polish Government spokesman recently declared: "If the church wants to fight, we are prepared for them."

At the outbreak of the second world war, Father Kaczynski took over the functions of military dean in the Polish army.
After the fall of Warsaw, he carried on his duties in Poland until, in March, 1940, he reached France by way of Rome.
He became Minister for religious and education in the Polish Cabinet in London, formed in July, 1943.
Born in 1894, he was educated at the Academy of Religion in St. Petersburg, now Leningrad, — Reuter.

KING RECEIVES PANDIT NEHRU

London, April 29.
Pandit Nehru, Prime Minister of India, was received in audience by King George at Buckingham Palace today. — Reuter.

He described that type of birth control as being against nature. He recommended that if any type of birth control was adopted that type was indicated by United States Navy Chaplain Jerome P. Holland when he wrote that husband and wife may decide by mutual consent the time and conditions under which to exercise their rights and privileges.

The writer said he is convinced that a nation that fosters the use of conception control will have anything but uncontrollable birth control. He quoted Chesterton who said that birth control is a misnomer since it effectively does away both with births and with control.

Demographers who simply play with geometric progressions to prognosticate a speedy doom for the human race are naive, he said. For anyone who is even moderately acquainted with the history of science it is really rather a shame to hear some of our scientists today talk as if they had found a solution without which the human race is doomed.

Road To Totalitarianism

Fr. Kaschmitter attacked the intrusion of Government bureaux into the birth control issue as the shortest road to totalitarianism.

If action is really necessary due to the abnormal situation in which Japan finds itself it should rather come through a movement similar to that carried on by young Christian workers who conduct regular courses on marriage with emphasis on the duties of husband and wife towards each other as also on duties of parents toward the birth, support and education of their children.
If legal pressure were brought to bear a certain number of weak-kneed Catholics will also yield but "we feel that it is only proper to give fair warning now that the Catholic Church will be forced by the basic principles of moral theology to brand such pressure as a violation of conscience and, therefore, as a religious persecution," the editorial concluded.

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King, Queen To Entertain

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Ten countries will be represented at the Royal party—Britain, France, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Italy and Eire.
This will be the first party of its kind to be given by the King and Queen since King George's recent illness. — Reuter.

FRENCH PLANES COLLIDE

Paris, April 29.
Two French Navy aircraft collided in flight above Hyeres, near Toulon, Southern France, today. One landed without damage but the other crashed in flames. The pilot was killed. — Reuter.

FATAL ACCIDENT

Paris, April 29.
A 15-ton flywheel, which flew off a motor in an electric power station at Sati, French Morocco, crushed a worker to death and heavily damaged the building. It was reported here today. — Reuter.

Unique U.S. Festival To Mark Goethe's Birthday

Aspen, Colorado, May 1.
The 200th birthday anniversary of Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, German poet-philosopher, will inspire a unique festival next summer in this North American Mountain Town.
Plans are well advanced to bring scholars from all parts of the world for a three-week mental feast starting June 27.

Sponsoring the convocation is the Goethe Bicentennial Foundation headed by Robert Maynard Hutchins, Chancellor of the University of Chicago. Herbert Hoover, former President of the United States, is Honorary chairman of the Foundation.
Aspen, situated on the roaring Fork River 7,800 feet above sea level and almost surrounded by the towering peaks of the Rocky Mountains, was chosen for the festival site because of its inspiring scenery and friendly small town atmosphere.

It is a ski resort in winter and has a colourful history as a gold and silver mining centre at the turn of the century.
The festival programme, its sponsors says, has not yet been completed but will be similar in some respects to those of Goethe gatherings of the past and that planned for Frankfurt, Germany, Goethe's birthplace, August 24 to 26 this year.

Nightly Concerts
Throughout the convocation, there will be nightly concerts of music related to Goethe's works or known to have been favoured by him. The Faust overture by Wagner is to be included—played by the Minneapolis symphony conducted by Dmitri Mitropoulos. Goethe did the poetic treatment of the old Faust legend on which Wagner's opera was based. A number of artists will play music of Bach, Beethoven, Brahms and other masters.
The versatile Goethe is to be honoured particularly, the foundation says, because his observations on the philosophical principles of literature and art are basic contributions to the wealth of modern thought, and: "His sharp penetration of the changing social conditions of his age... and the advent of a technological society, are evidence of vision far ahead of his time."
The roster of festival guests, still in the making, names Dr. Albert Schweitzer of Lambarene, French West Africa—called by Hutchins the living man most like Goethe. Schweitzer, aged 74, has won renown as a physician, philosopher, musician, theologian and author.

Others who probably will attend the convocation include: Dr. Halvdan Koht, Norway's Foreign Minister from 1935 to 1941; Jose Ortega y Gasset, Spanish philosopher; Charles J. Burckhardt, Swiss Minister to France; Gerardus Van Der Leeu, theology professor of romance languages at the University of Bonn, Germany; Karl Reinhardt, professor of classics at the University of Frankfurt, Germany, and Barker Fairley, head of the German department, University of Toronto, Canada.
There will be United States scholars present, including Hutchins and Thornton Wilder, author-playwright winner of three Pulitzer prizes. — Associated Press.

KIDNAPPING IN VIENNA ALLEGED

The Austrian Communist newspaper Der Abend, claimed today that Americans were beginning to kidnap Austrians.
The paper said that 38-year-old Mrs. Adele Grojanza, living in the international district of Vienna, was taken off in broad daylight on Thursday by American military police, who were not accompanied by the Austrian police as laid down by Allied regulations.
Nothing had been heard since of Mrs. Grojanza. — Reuter.

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Shanghai, May 1.
After day-long consideration the Shanghai City Government finally released the eagerly awaited wage index for the second half of April late yesterday evening, setting the figures at 371.34—representing approximately 24 times the last index figures for mid-April.

This is the most staggering upward jump of the semi-monthly figure since the introduction of the index system in 1946 as the basis for the payment of wages. The announcement of the index figures, which were approved yesterday morning by civic and labour leaders but later withheld from publication by order of the Government Headquarters for fear of creating too great a confusion in the local market, was eventually announced last night after much discussion between the city authorities and labour organisations.

Wild Increases

It followed a day of the wildest price increases ever witnessed in the city's long history with rice, vegetables, meats, daily necessities and currencies all rising by several hundred per cent from the figures of the previous day. Cigarettes probably registered the most sensational leaps yesterday, some of the most popular brands rising several hundred per cent in a few hours. Imported cigarettes were priced at a minimum of C\$2,000,000.

Meanwhile, the Finance Minister, Mr. S. Y. Liu, flew to Canton yesterday accompanied by a large number of high Central Bank officials.

Upon his departure he told Chinese newsmen that he was going to Canton to report to Premier Ho Ying-chin on local economic and financial conditions. He said that he will return here to stabilise the financial and price situation with effective measures.

The latest victims of Nationalist China's galloping inflation are three Chinese-language newspapers here—the Catholic Shih Pao, the Lih Pao, tabloid organ of the Kuomintang-sponsored Labour Union, and the South Eastern Daily News—which closed down today because of financial difficulties.—Reuter.

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NY Stock Mart Advances In Mild Trading

New York, May 1.

The stock market advanced yesterday in mild trading. The market was highly responsive only to modest demand. Turnover amounted to 310,000 shares, smallest Saturday in five weeks.

Star performer was Richfield Oil. It was the most actively traded issue.

Richfield at 37 1/4, up 3/4, after hitting a new high at one time on a point gain. Eversharp also hit a new high at 9 1/4, up 1/4. US Rubber touched a low for the year, closing at 37 1/4, slightly above the bottom. Of 639 issues traded, 238 gained, 180 declined.

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Israeli, UK Officials To Confer

London, April 30.

Four high ranking Israeli financial and trade experts will start talks with the British government on Monday on the financial liquidation of the Palestine Mandate.

The Palestine Mandate ended on May 14, 1948, but Britain did not hand over the assets, liabilities and property of the Mandatory Power to any responsible successor authority. This will be done in part at the forthcoming Anglo-Israeli negotiations at the British Treasury and more detailed negotiations which will take place later in Tel Aviv.

Britain undoubtedly will insist on Israel honouring its past financial obligations legitimately incurred by the administration of Palestine during the period of the British Mandate.

This will include pensions for Mandate officials to the amount of £600,000, expenses for the maintenance of illegal immigrant camps (£870,000), withdrawal expenses (£300,000) and expenses for food supplies to Palestine.

Full-Information

The Israeli delegation undoubtedly will require full information from the British on all financial aspects of the liquidation of the Palestine balances which is in the neighbourhood of £80,000,000 to £90,000,000. Unblocking of part of this balance in favour of Israel and the Anglo-Palestinian Bank, state bank of the Jewish State, is the central issue of the talks.

A senior official of the British Treasury will conduct them with David Horowitz, head of the Israeli Treasury, and leader of the Israeli delegation, to London.

Total liquidation of the Palestine sterling balance will become possible only after a peace settlement by which the boundaries of the Jewish state will finally be fixed. Many other pending financial and economic problems will have to wait until then. Britain and Israel also will conclude a trade agreement for the next six months.—United Press.

Italian Goods To Go To Pakistan

Rome, April 30.

Signor Guglielmo Schiratti, a member of the Italian Assembly, today told the newspaper Liberta d'Italia that Italy has reached agreements with Pakistan for the supply of several millions of lire worth of Italian goods.

Signor Schiratti, just back from a visit to Pakistan with an Italian mission to investigate the possibilities of strengthening economic and other ties, said he found a ready market there for Italian machines.

Appealing for better relations between the two countries, he added that other trade would follow as soon as Pakistan got to know and trust the quality of Italian goods. Better knowledge of each other would lead to a strengthening of trade relations, he said.—Reuter.

COTTON PRICES IN AMERICA

New York, May 1.

Cotton closed 20 to 60 cents higher. The market was stimulated by the government mid-April parity report—unchanged from a month ago. Traders had anticipated a 12-point drop.

May 33.25 - 20

July 32.45 - 40

October 29.10

December 28.04

March 28.85 nominal

Middling spot 33.05 nominal

The New Orleans, cotton closed 20 to 80 higher.

May 33.10

July 32.38 - 30

October 29.16 - 17

December 28.94 bid

March 29.82

Middling spot 32.60

Associated Press.

WHEAT PRICES SHOW STRENGTH

Chicago, May 1.

Wheat was strong, aided by government continuation of parity prices unchanged. Traders had expected a decline.

Wheat closed 1/4 to one higher.

May \$2.17 1/2 - 1/4

July \$1.94 1/2 - 1/4

September \$1.94 1/2 - 1/4

December \$1.96 1/2 - 1/4

Corn was 1/4 to 1/2 higher.

May \$1.32 1/4 - 1/4

The corn gain was in response to government allocations for large pork exports.

Oats were 1/4 lower to 1/4 higher.

May 64 1/4 - 1/4

Soybeans were 1/4 to 1 1/4 higher.

May \$2.25 - 1/4

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5.4.	"CARTHAGE"	8th August	8th September	
5.5.	"CORFU"	2nd September	2nd October	
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HONG KONG WATERFRONT

By HOLT ABLE SEAMAN

Port Notes

One often wonders at the gradual influx of refugees from the beleaguered North China cities and how the Colony is going to accommodate them.

Most of the arrivals, however, do not—they have been to it.

Then why worry? But they pay charity begins at home. And the club can be heard audibly here and there even along the waterfront today.

"How do these evacuees manage to get into the hotels, boarding houses and flats when so many local residents still have to rough it out with friends or relatives since the Liberation?"

Old hands smile meaningfully. "It's an old story!"

All that we know is that the refugees have to pay through their nose.

"Then, what's the idea of building so many houses here if they're not for locals—who comprise the very backbone of the Colony's existence?" several veterans chorused vehemently.

The aluminium super-structure Canadian-built river craft, comprising the "Men Fleet" are being fitted with bullet-proof shields and gun turrets to further protection against subversive action by Pearl River or West River pirates.

The ms. Lukik Men, plying between Kowloon through the West River, the scene of a recent abortive piracy on a local vessel, is the first to be fortified.

The two "floating fortresses"—Yu Men and Hu Men—will probably be put on the Canton-Hong Kong and Macao-Hong Kong runs.

Both vessels, estimated to have cost their owners about \$100,000 each, were originally planned for the Yangtze River trade. But the situation up North has necessitated their stay here.

Their smaller counterparts are, meanwhile, operating on both runs regularly.

The civil war has apparently not affected the operations of the Chinese Steamship Union, the nation's largest and most influential labour union.

The Hong Kong CSU reports that the CSU branches in Red-held cities are still functioning and maintaining regular communication with their colleagues in Government areas.

So far, we have been left alone without any interference from the new rulers, an official said here yesterday. "But who knows," he added hastily.

Speculation over the fate of the river vessel Sai On, which was gutted by fire on February 4, 1947, gained impetus when she was towed into Taihook Dock yesterday by two tug-boats.

Rumour has it that she is to be reconverted into a "floating amusement centre"—something like the Miss Orient, which, before she was mined in Elliot Passage not long ago, was the pride of the Canton-Hong Kong river service.

It is understood that the Sai On has been purchased by Macao Chinese businessmen for HK\$4,000,000.

The new ship will be named Tai Tak.

Since December, the Sai On has been lying off Stonecutter, not far from the Colony's Ha-Bene-Dump, where old ships are scrapped.

The Sai On fire was one of the Colony's disastrous waterfront fires. More than 130 bodies were recovered from the ship and Harbour.

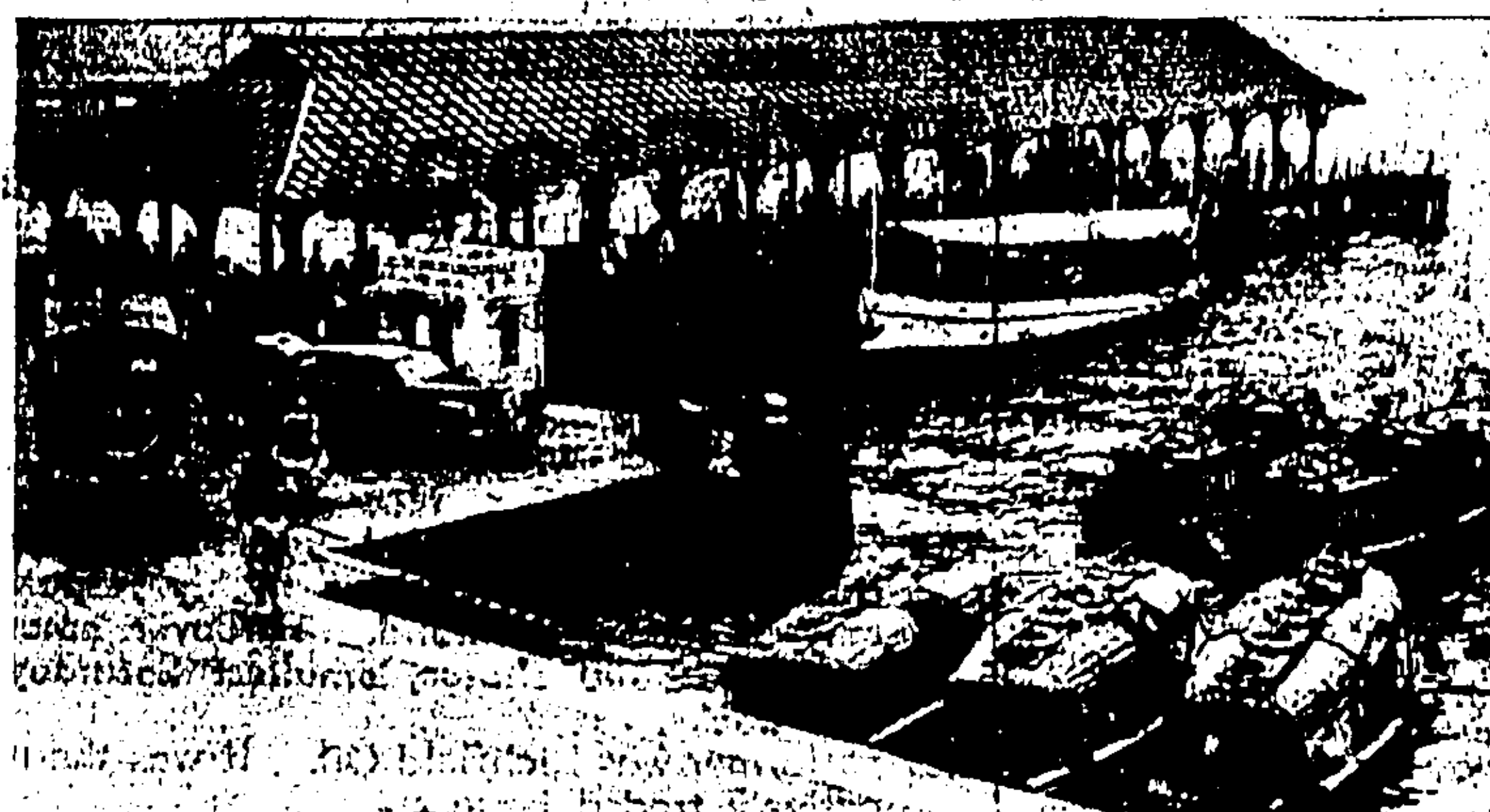
Six naval craft are due to arrive here this month. HMS Colborne is expected to reach the Colony today from Singapore. She will be followed by HMS Alacrity on May 19 also from Singapore.

The other arrivals are the U.S. destroyers Perkins (May 9) Rogers (May 15) and Duncan (May 20) and U.S. cruiser St. Paul (May 24).

The U.S. tanker Mataponi is arriving here today. Another American Navy tanker, the Chikaskia, is due here on May 12.

Departures this month include U.S. destroyer Alex. Dachsenko, (today), which brought personnel of the Economic Co-operation Administration which left for Canton to establish the ECA China GIIC last Saturday night.

The American Navy hospital ship, Repose, which brought the wounded of the four British naval craft which were fired upon by Red artillery in the Yangtze, is due to leave on May 1. HMS Coesack will leave for Malaya on



Here is Blake's Pier, the operating centre of the Union Motorboat Company, which is the Colony's largest "water taxi" organization. Working round the clock, the 18 walla wallas of the UMC provide regular runs between ships in port and short and also between the Island and Kowloon. When the ferry systems stop operating after midnight, the water taxis carry on at 50 cents per head, ferrying 10 passengers a trip to and fro. ("China Mail" Photo).

Water Taxis Play Important Part In Harbour Of HK

They are just a plain motor boats with no push-button control or plush cushions—but our water taxis play an important role in maintaining communication between ships in the Harbour and the Waterfront and also between the Island and Kowloon, day and night.

Popularly known as the "Walla Wallas" these craft are the outgrowth of small mechanised vessels, which enterprising individuals operated nearly half a century ago to compete with the sampans, which virtually monopolised the Harbour traffic then.

Today there are more than 100 registered water taxis, operating round the clock.

Spread along the Waterfront are several kiosks, which have their own respective fleet of craft. The biggest organisation, which was established about 25 years ago, is the Union Motorboat Company, which has a fleet of 18 water taxis, operating from Blake's Pier.

The walla wallas have today become a necessity to shipping personnel, especially with the rapid recovery of our port and the influx of ships from all parts of the world.

Shipping clerks, ships, crew, passengers and their relatives throng Blake's Pier day and night. When the ferries stop their day's work, these craft continue maintaining the lifeline between the mainland and the Island.

During the 1946 strike of the ferry workers, the water taxis furnished their valuable assistance when they provided the only available means of quick transport to thousands of commuters.

Early risers normally find it more convenient, though a little more expensive, to cross by the water taxis, when the ferry piers are besieged.

Ship's personnel can signal for a walla walla at any time of the day and night.

Special Runs To facilitate transport, the Union Motorboat Company provides several special runs. As soon as the ferry systems stop operating after midnight, there is a regular service across the Harbour. A water taxi leaves the pier with 10 passengers, at 50 cents each. This has solved a problem for late commuters.

Catering to seamen, four water taxis leave their respective piers at fixed times for the ships in port, charging \$1 a head—5 p.m. and midnight at Blake's Pier and 12 p.m. and midnight at the Tsai Tsai Police Pier.

Regular runs are maintained throughout the day and night to ships in port. The charges varies according to the areas marked in the Anchorage Plan of the Colony.

The Union Motorboat Company is the outgrowth of a three-craft fleet, operated originally by Ah King Shipway. This eventually grew and was pooled together with several others to be called the Walla Walla Motorboat Company by a certain Mr. Nagel. The company was dissolved about two years and re-united again into the present Union Motorboat Company, which consists of three companies.

All the motor boats are built locally. Most are equipped with diesel engines. Several use paraffin.

Each craft has a combined coxswain and engineer and two sailors. To maintain its service, the UMC has more than 100 personnel.

Not unlike their shore counterparts, personnel of the water taxis have experienced the same "difficulties" and have also seen the lighter side of it.

"Drunkards are our chief source of trouble. It is very difficult to keep them safe in the boat when on the way. Usually these people attempt to climb out," they asserted.

"Next are the spooning couple. Instead of being anxious to get over these people would want us to cruise round the harbour... and take our time. Yes, but what about our fuel? They pay the fixed price."

"And worst of all are the soldiers. They want to be sailors and treat our boat as if it's a warship," the informants declared.

Who's Who

Helene Lindgren was busy with the ship's papers when I first met her aboard the ss. Fernhill last week.

The tall, lithe blonde is concurrently secretary to the master and wireless operator of the Norwegian steamer, which made her second appearance in local waters.

She took to sea with the same impulse which has drawn many of her colleagues to see the world and at the same time earn more money.

A native of Sarabourg, Norway, Helene is 20 years old and speaks fluent English, a language which she began studying at the age of five.

The only daughter of a Norwegian businessman, she graduated from the Oslo School of Maritime Studies as a wireless operator in September last. She joined the Fernhill, which took her to the United States, Europe and the Far East on her maiden voyage.

Helene will be at sea for two years with the Fernhill. During this period, she will not see her home. "Home sick? Well, you'll get over it pretty quick. But I write lots of letters home, and correspondence between my family and myself is very regular," she smiled.

After the last world war, Norway produced many ships. Shortage of manpower to man them

has led to a considerable number of women obtaining employment aboard these ships, Helene declared.

Many joined up as stewesses. There are several women wireless operators.

Nautical schools in Oslo provide co-education now. The girls take wireless telegraphy. Many, however, work ashore.

Girls in Norway today are more politically minded than they were before the war, the 20-year-old Norwegian lass said.

They are also actively participating in the political set-up.

"Marriage? I have not even thought of it yet. Norwegian girls work first to earn a living for themselves. Then perhaps, after some years they begin to think of settling down," Helene said.

It was during her middle school days that Helene began to take interest in reading about the countries of the world. "Since then, I have always yearned to visit the places. It's been very wonderful to be able to see them," she exclaimed.

Helene works eight hours a day aboard the Fernhill—at her desk preparing the ship's documents and at her operating table keeping watch over the ether.

She spends most of her spare time reading—novels, newspapers of different ports, and classics.

During her stay here last week, Helene has made some observations.

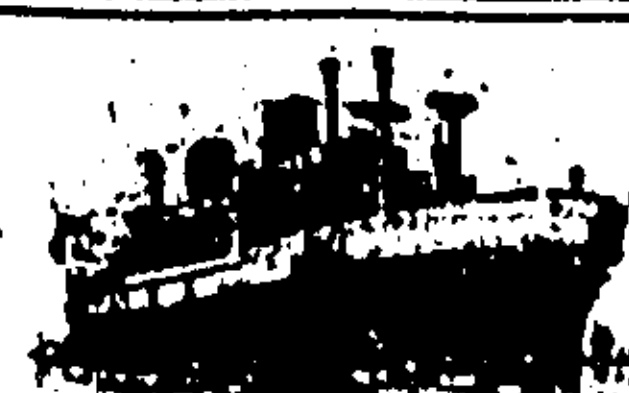
"The Chinese girls here take too much trouble over their make-up and dresses. It's unhealthy," remarked the Norwegian girl, who said she has not used any make-up since a child.

"They are very polite and friendly and easy to get along with."

"Some of their fashions look queer to me, especially the one with the slit at the bottom and the high-neck, giraffe-like collar."

"Chinese girls look sweet and cute in European dresses. Helene found Chinese food too strong in flavour. They're complicated, and very rich in spices—bad for the inside," she asserted.

Asked whether she will stay ashore after her two-year contract, ending September this year, Helene declared that she has not got into her blood and "it may be several years more of sailing for me."



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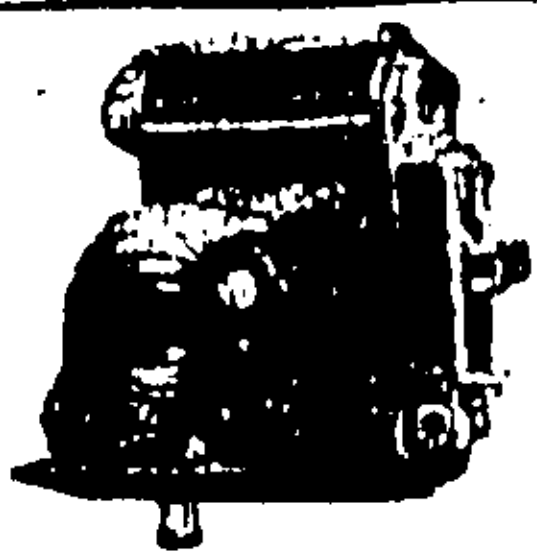
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BUSMEN BEAT KIT CHEE BY SEVEN CLEAR GOALS

Kowloon Motor Bus made sure of their runners-up position in the First Division of the local soccer League yesterday when they trounced a strong Kit Chee XI by seven clear goals at Boundary Street.

In spite of the heavy downpour, a fairly large crowd turned up to see the game, which was played in a clean and sporting spirit from start to finish.

Before the game started, Captain Chinnall, the referee, gave instructions for certain portions of the ground to be mopped up.

During the match, rain continued to fall heavily and apart from causing portions of the ground to become water-logged, resulted in the players and officials handling the game being drenched to the skin. Kit Chee, who entertained South China "A" at Soekampoo, went down to their guests by three clear goals, while the match between South China "B" and Police at Caroline Hill was not played.

KMB 7—Kit Chee 0

Kowloon Motor Bus, who have always been known to dislike a heavy ground, were so imbued with the will to win that they overcame their weakness and gave a magnificent performance on a ground which was sodden at the start and later became almost completely water-logged.

The busmen played inspired football and on the run of the play fully deserved to win. Tam Kwan-kon, their custodian, again gave a polished display and brought off several brilliant saves. He handled the slippery ball with complete confidence.

Hung Hing-yuk, the pivot, played a hero's game and was repeatedly to the forefront as he broke up dangerous movements by the Kit Chee forwards time and again.

In the KMB forward line, Tang Yee-kit and Chau Man-chi were outstanding. Tang Yee-kit gave one of his best performances to date and his second goal was truly a great effort.

Kit Chee's defeat was in a large measure due to the weakness of their intermediate line, which invariably came out second best in duels with the KMB forwards.

The Kit Chee forward line was also weak and although enjoying a fair share of the ball in the second half, were inclined to dilly-dally with the ball and attempt to walk it into the net.

They did, however, come into the picture with several fine efforts and it was only the brilliance of Tam Kwan-kon which prevented them from scoring.

Cheung Koon-hing, the Kit Chee goalie, played a sound game and could not be blamed for the shots which went past him.

Despite a heavy downpour, the game opened at a fast pace, with both sides attacking in turn.

First Blood

After play had been in progress for about 10 minutes, Kowloon Motor Bus drew first blood through Tang Yee-kit, who scored with a fast shot to the left hand corner of the net.

Kowloon Motor Bus continued to hold the initiative and within five minutes went further ahead when Tang Yee-kit, gaining possession from about 30 yards

out, sent in a powerful cross shot which entered the net with Cheung Koon-hing beaten all the way.

Kit Chee made several desperate attempts to break through the KMB defence, but were unable to make any headway against the robust tackling of the busmen. From a backcross, the ball was passed to Lee Tai-tai, who raced through and put KMB three goals in the lead.

A Kit Chee attack on the KMB goal almost resulted in a goal as Kwong-sun scoring, the latter's parting effort being diverted by Tam Kwan-kon, who made a full length dive, for a fruitless corner. Shortly before the interval, KMB added another goal to their tally when Tang Yee-kit again netted.

On resumption, Kit Chee threw all their resources into the game and forced the busmen into playing a defensive game.

Tam Kwan-kon was repeatedly called up to defend his charge and ably dealt with all shots which came his way, both high and low.

Pools of water began forming down the centre of the field and ball control became more and more difficult as the game progressed.

After being on the defensive for almost 25 minutes, the busmen again asserted themselves and increased their lead through Tam Woon-cheung (2) and Tang Yee-kit (1).

Tang's last goal was another masterpiece. He received the ball from Chau Man-chi and without turning round to shoot, backheeled the ball into the net before Cheung Koon-hing knew what was happening.

Kit Chee tried hard to reduce the lead of their opponents, but the busmen refused to give way to the onslaughts and the final whistle came with them worthy winners of a cleanly contested game by seven clear goals.

KMB: Tam Kwan-kon, Mak Lam-fuk, Tam Chan-fai, Tang Sun, Hung Hing-yuk, Fung Kwai-fai, Chin Chit-fai, Tang Yee-kit, Chau Man-chi and Tam Woon-cheung.

Kit Chee: Cheung Koon-hing, Chu Fok, Pak Yiu-wah, Lee Ping-chiu, Yau Wai-hing, Wu Chiu-chung, Tang Kwong-sun, Cheung Chung-yan, Kwok Yung-ke, Siu Cheuk-yan and Wong King-chung.

RAF 0—S. China "A" 3

RAF put up a determined fight against their more doughty opponents who, although not at full strength, were definitely the more workmanlike team.

South China dominated the exchanges in the first half, but were held at bay for 20 minutes before they managed to open the scoring, the marksman being Cheuk Wan.

Just before the interval, South China increased their lead through Lau Chung-sang, who

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

FIRST DIVISION	
KMB	7 Kit Chee 0
RAF	0 S. China "A" 3
S. China "B"	v Police
SECOND DIVISION	
Tramways	2 Police 1

* This game was not played.

netted with a powerful drive from about 25 yards.

The second half saw the Air-men offer spirited resistance to the Chinese, but luck was against them and try as they would, they could not score.

About 10 minutes from the end, South China attacked strongly and subjected the RAF defence to a gruelling time. Following a corner kick, the Chinese obtained their third goal, which was scored by Lai Shu-wing.

RAF: Morris, Durban, Souter, Bather, Wilson, Towndley, Owens, Turnbull, Collier, Gross and Morrow.

S. China "A": Yu Yuet-ak, Hau Yung-ze, Cheung Shing-ho, Ho Yuet-fai, Ho Kwan-chung, Lau Chiu-sung, Cheuk Wan, Tai Hing-cho, Cheung Kam-chai, Lai Shu-wing and Tai Kam-ho.

Britain Beat Portugal

London, April 30. Britain beat Portugal by three matches to zero in their first round European Zone Davis Cup tie in Lisbon today.

Tony Mottram and Geoffrey Paish (Britain) beat Jose Roquette and Jose da Silva (Portugal) 6-0, 6-2, 6-1 in today's double match to gain a winning 3-0 majority.

France were two up at the end of the day in their first round tie against Luxembourg. The results were: P. Remy (France) beat L. Wertheim (Luxembourg) 6/0, 6/1, 6/1. R. Abdessalah (France) beat C. Wampach (Luxembourg) 6/1, 6/2, 7/5.

At Prague, Czechoslovakia gained a decisive 3-0 lead over Monaco today, winning the doubles. In this match Jaroslav Drobny and Vladimir Cernik beat Georges Pasquier and Alec Noyes 6/1, 6/2, 6/0.

South Africa took a commanding 2-0 lead over the Netherlands at the Hague. Eric Sturgess (South Africa) beat Hans Van Swol 6/4, 6/3, 6/2. Eustace Fanning also was an easy victor, defeating R. Meercken 6/3, 6/2, 6/4.—Reuter.

Leicester, the lowest team which has appeared at Wembley, slipped into second place from the bottom of the Division II table, level at 33 points with Forest, who have a distinctly superior goal average.

Leicester must now take three points from their crowded programme in the last week of the season to ensure escaping relegation.

One of Leicester's remaining matches is against West Bromwich, who are running strongly for promotion. At this late stage, several League problems remain to be settled. But Fulham seem certain of promotion from League II for their first taste of Division I football, and only a complete collapse could prevent Hull City from playing in the Second Division next season.

Southampton, who have headed the Second Division for the past four months, went under to the only goal of their last match at Chesterfield, scored by McAnrow, playing in his first match of the season. Fulham seized the opportunity to match a vital point in dramatic style from their London neighbours, Tottenham Hotspur, and now lead the table.

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It's Wolves' Third Cup Victory

Wembley Stadium, April 30.

Wolverhampton Wanderers, powerful First Division team, won their third FA Cup final today, beating their Midland neighbours, Leicester City, by three goals to one. They led two to nil at half time.

A capacity crowd of 100,000, paying more than £39,000, among whom were the Princess Elizabeth and the Dukes of Gloucester and Edinburgh, saw a pleasant sporting game, in which the mighty Wolves were always a shade too good for their Second Division opponents.

Leicester had to take the field with a side weakened by injuries, resulting in the absence of their crack centre forward, Don Revie, and necessitating the playing of their left halfback Harrison, at left forward. It was small wonder, therefore, that Leicester, as they played, especially in the second half, they were always fighting a losing battle.

Wolves, brilliantly led by their international captain, Billy Wright, took command of the situation from the kick off, but it was only in front of goal that the difference between the sides was clearly marked.

A little more steadiness and skill in the goal area, Leicester might have brought off the unexpected.

Pye Scores Two

Wolverhampton's two goals in the first half were scored by Pye, a thrustful leader, who has played for England. He got the first goal in the 13th minute off a centre from the wing, and the second came from a goalmouth melee three minutes before the interval.

Leicester's outside right, Griffiths, reduced the deficit two minutes after the interval, but in the 67th minute, Wolverhampton's stylish inside right, Smythe, virtually settled the issue with a splendid solo effort.

Apart from their captain, Wright, none of the Wolves' players was particularly conspicuous, although the defence was very sound.

Leicester's centre half, Plummer, played a great captain's game, and he was well supported by the right half, Harrison. Leicester players trooped off the field with arms linked in consolation.—Reuter.

Rugger Game Results

London, April 30. The following were the results of rugger games played today:

RUGBY LEAGUE

Championship Semi-finals—Warrington 23 Barrow 8, Wigan 5 Huddersfield 14.

Club Matches: Belle Vue Rangers 13 Leigh 6, Bradford Northern 22 Whitehaven 7, Keighley 6 Castleford 5, Leeds 7 Wakefield Trinity 24, Liverpool Stanley 11 Rochdale Hornets 4, Workington Town 22 Oldham 10.

RUGBY UNION

Aberavon 11 Llanelli 5, Bridgend 13 Aberystwyll 3, Bristol 33 Blackheath 0, Cardiff 17 Pontypool 10, Cross Keys 3 Newbridge 6, Exmouth 3 Torquay Athletic 6, Hartlepool Rovers 14 International side 18, Newport 9 Devonport Services 0, Pembroke County 3 Swansea 13, Plymouth Albion 20 Old Habershams 5, Pontypool 3 Penarth 10, Redruth 8 St. Ives 3.—Reuter.

Leicester City's Position Acute

London, April 30.

Leicester City's Cup final defeat was not the only blow they suffered today.

Their last seven games have yielded only four points. Player-manager, Ralph Carter, and his Hull team-mates received a great ovation from their supporters after they had beaten Stockport County 6-1, the biggest score of the day.

Leicester, their great rivals, who could only manage a draw, with Carlisle, are now two points behind with one game more to play and a much inferior goal average, so it seems that for the third time since League football was resumed after the war, Leicester will be Northern Section runners up.

A grand first half hat-trick by Marnett, young Middlemarch, brought outside left, gave him a second precious point in the First Division relegation match against Sheffield United.

Relegation in Div. I. The relegation teams will not be known until the last day of the season, but Huddersfield and Preston, who hold the cellar positions must show improved form if they are to escape. The bottom club, each with two games to play, are Huddersfield (30 points), Preston (31 points), Sheffield United (32 points) and Middlesbrough (33 points).

Huddersfield were 2-0 victims on the ground of the League champions, Portsmouth, who were rescued by the Portsmouth President, received the League trophy from a League official.

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HOME FOOTBALL LEAGUE TABLE

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	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Portsmouth	30	24	8	7	78	54	51
Newcastle	30	21	11	10	70	54	45
Sheff. Utd.	30	20	9	11	67	54	49
Manchester U.	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Arsenal	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Manchester C.	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Wolves	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Charlton	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Sunderland	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Stoke	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Sheff. Wed.	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Derby	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Blackpool	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Clitheroe	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Wid. Albion	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Hull City	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Everton	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Middlesbrough	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Sheff. Utd.	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Preston	30	18	11	11	60	58	47
Huddersfield	30	18	11	11	60	58	47

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Fulham	41	28	9	4	76	37	65
Southampton	41	28	9	4	76	37	65
Wolves	41	28	9	4	76	37	65
Cardiff	41	28	9	4	76	37	65
West Ham	41	28	9	4	76	37	65
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